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On behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, we are pleased to present this complimentary vacation guide for your use and invite you to take advantage of all our county has to offer.

While water activities on Deep Creek Lake and alpine skiing at Wisp Resort remain our best known attractions, there's so much more to do after you have enjoyed these outstanding areas. Besides Deep Creek Lake, there are six other lakes to enjoy. They are ideal for exploring by canoe, fishing, picnicking and much more. Many State Parks also offer sandy beaches that are perfect for families.

Rent a boat, hike, bike and join us in our many adventure sport activities including whitewater rafting, water skiing, scuba diving, horseback riding, cross country skiing, snowmobiling and many others. Even if you are a frequent visitor to Garrett County, it will take a long time to experience all of our 90,000 acres of publicly owned lands!

Also, don't miss out on our cultural heritage attractions. Visit a log cabin artisan village in Grantsville, the Simon Pearce hand-blown glass factory in Mountain Lake Park and take a peek at the old Oakland train station that is in the process of being restored. Be wowed by the story behind the Town of Accident's name or travel over the hill to Kitzmiller and experience an old coal mining community. Travel to Deer Park and you can see where Deer Park Water is bottled.

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The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce is comprised of more than 420 local business members who strive to bring our visitors a great vacation experience. Please call on us if we can be of help to you.

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As representatives of the citizens of Garrett County, we are pleased that you have selected our county to spend your vacation time.

The Vacation Guide is a valuable guide to anyone visiting Garrett County.

The guide will tell you about exciting, entertaining and educational attractions around the County. You will also find a list of accommodations, services and restaurants. These businesses have expressed an interest in serving you and making your visit to Garrett County memorable.

With our many natural beauties, we offer an abundance of activities for everybody from the avid sports enthusiast to those seeking a quiet getaway in our tranquil surroundings.

We invite you to enjoy Garrett County. We hope you will spread the word about the wonderful place you discovered: **Garrett County!**

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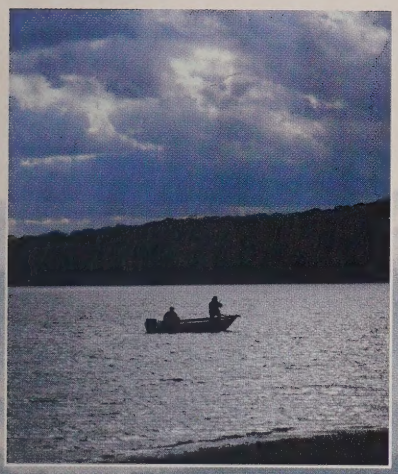

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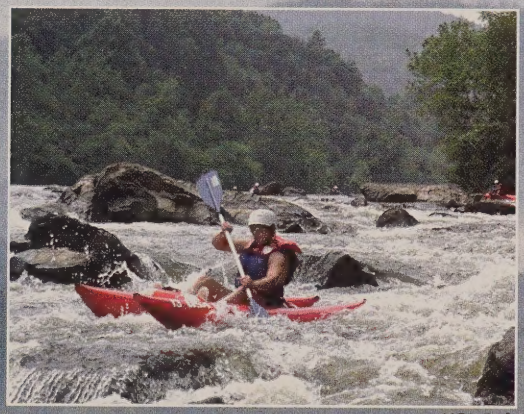

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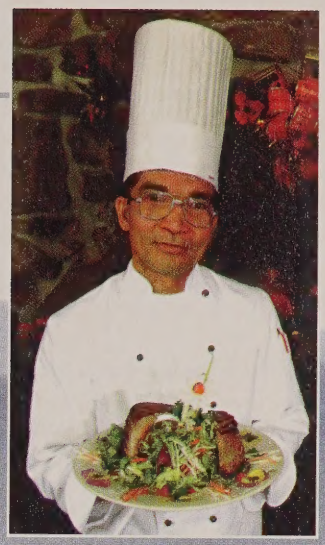

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A TALE OF TWO WINTERS

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Flip a coin and some will always call heads, others tails. Some prefer their eggs poached, while others won't get near them unless they're scrambled with catsup on top...some like straight razors, some electric... a piano's keys are both black and white... and the best James Bond ever was either Sean Connery or... ok, maybe there's no comparison there.

That debate aside, it's safe to say that winters in Garrett County could bring inspiration to even the most worldly double-aught agent of Her Majesty's Secret Service.

Inspiration, however, is acted upon in different ways by different people. Some may wake to that blanket of new-fallen snow and see a playground waiting to be pounced on. Quickly they dress as visions of bonsai! downhill ski runs dance through their heads. These playful souls can already feel the rush of being the first to lay snowmobile tracks across a previously silent meadow or delight in the anticipation of shuffling out onto the frozen lake to drop their fishing line into a freshly cut hole. Clothing is layered, food is packed and weapons are checked and secured before the hunt begins — or perhaps the only shooting done is through a zoom lens of a 35mm camera, where images of magnificent ice structures are captured and hung on the mantle.

Conversely, some may be inspired to stoke up a crackling fire and gaze out onto the tranquil beauty as they indulge in a hot toddy or other favorite libation. Here in the picturesque mountains of the Appalachian Plateau, the stress and sensory carnage of the city are distant memories. Here is a place to turn off all cell phones, climb into a wonderfully worn flannel shirt, and — for a while — leave any unfinished work unfinished. A place to reconnect with loved ones. To listen to them . Look at them. And remember the meaning of the word family. Here is a place where, for some, the best thing about being here is simply that — being here.

And just as the black and white keys of that piano blend into the harmony of a sonata, so, too, do the two faces of a Garrett County winter. Whether knee deep in a snowdrift or snuggled by the fire, there is winter music here for everyone.

Maryland's Wild, Mild West

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) story.

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources mission statement declares that it "inspires people to enjoy and live in harmony with their environment, and to protect what makes Maryland unique... our diverse landscapes and our living and natural resources." These are wonderful words, but it is people, not words, who patrol public lands, stock lakes and streams, put on educational programs for the public and manage delicate ecosystems.

It is the dedicated and knowledgeable people of the Maryland DNR, both employees and volunteers, who make it possible for the thousands who live in and visit Garrett County each year to boat, bike, ski, swim, camp, hunt and fish with ease and safety. So, whether your tastes run to the wild (turkey hunting with a bow or musket) or the mild (kicking back to watch the snow fall), Maryland's Wild, Mild West is the place to be.

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STATE OF MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Mt. Nebo

Just north of Oakland, at the southern end of Roman Nose Mountain is this 2,000 acre tract. Though it is mostly comprised of upland hardwoods, what makes Mt. Nebo WMA one of the most unique wetlands in Maryland is the presence of its red spruce bog.

"It's really unusual to find red-spruce bogs this far south," says DNR Area Land Manager Rick Latshaw. "It's the elevation here that allows it to occur."

More than 18,000 years in the making, these meadows, bogs and forests —along with two beaver ponds and a stream called Millers Run — are home to an incredible variety of rare and endangered plants as well as deer, fowl and small mammals. A casual stroll or lengthy hike through the alder thickets and sedge meadows might produce glimpses of newly re-introduced river otters playing and swimming along a bank or a red tail hawk swooping down into a meadow after its prey. Birdwatchers might catch the drumming sound of the male ruffed grouse or the gobble of the male turkey as they try to woo perspective mates, or perhaps the uniquely humorous call of the alder fly catcher as it seems to be announcing "free beer."

Mt. Nebo in the fall is also a haven for hunters, where small game like rabbits, squirrels and turkeys are plentiful and white-tailed deer season is extremely popular. There's even a Youth Hunter Day for hunters 16 years of age and under sponsored by the DNR.

"It's our way of giving them first crack at a deer before all the rest of the hunters show up," adds Latshaw.

Mt. Nebo is also known for its excellent ruffed grouse and woodcock hunting. Catkin from the alder plant and the tender buds of the big-toothed aspen are a natural food source for them and are part of the habitat most extensively managed by the DNR. Such management might include anything from clear-cutting an area and making brushpiles for escape cover for small game — also a good brood habitat for rabbits and wild turkeys — to the planting of fruit blocks for food and vegetation cover, all of which provide a good prey base for raptors, owls and hawks.

Wildlife Management Area

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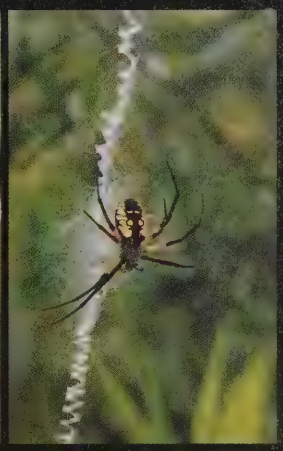
A man-made pond, or impoundment, provides a reproductive and brood habitat for a variety of migrating water fowl, such as mallards, Canada geese, wood and black ducks and blue-wing and green-wing teal.

"This is one habitat that we can pretty much control. By lowering the water level, we can drop the pool level down to about 1 acre (from its normal 5) allowing more vegetation to grow to make for a better brood habitat," adds Latshaw.

Such meticulous attention and constant monitoring is just part of the job for the WMA staff, whose funding comes almost entirely from the sale of hunting licenses. And with more public lands available for hunting than any other county in Maryland, that makes the approximately $21.00 investment quite a sweet deal for Garrett County hunters... almost as sweet as a tender bud off a big-toothed aspen.



Discovering the Discovery Center

It could happen to anyone.

Whether you're a first-time visitor, a frequent guest or someone with second homes on the lake, the vast selection of things to do and see (and learn about) in and around Garrett County can be overwhelming — like too many of your favorite dishes on one menu.

Not to worry.

Sitting on the shore of Deep Creek Lake, just off the north side of Glendale Bridge, is the brand new, 6,000 square foot hub of the wheel that is DNR's Western Maryland Nature Tourism Program — the new Discovery Center.

The theme for the center is "Bringing Natural Resources and People together." "Our purpose is simply to make more people aware of the importance of our public lands by bringing together service providers and those who come here for nature-based outdoor recreation," explains Patty Manown Mash, the Regional Coordinator for the Nature Tourism Program, whose office is in the Discovery Center. "For instance, we can act as a liaison between tour groups who want to experience whitewater rafting and local outfitters who can provide that service. Through our office, a private guide or outfitter can operate on our public land or waterways and provide services to our visitors. It's good for the visitors and our local economy."

A sampling of the Nature Tourism menu includes such diverse entrees as horseback riding (including overnight outings), kayaking, guided mountain bike trail rides, sporting-clay shooting, family canoe trips, slack water "ducky" tours, guided bird-watching expeditions — even winter sleigh-rides that pick you up directly in front of your cabin in New Germany State Park and Herrington Manor, or clinics on snowshoe demonstrations and their use.

Top: Deep Creek Lake Discovery Center—"Bringing natural resources and people together." Dedicated in 1999

Above: On the deck of the Discovery Center, curious children sit attentively while Naturalist Todd Metz presents an "Amazing Animals" program.

"We feel that if we give people a taste of what can be done on our public lands — whether it's a high-skill sport or a non-strenuous, relax-and-enjoy type of outing — maybe they'll want to come back and go to the next level of that sport or try a different one next time."

Ms. Mash's office works closely with the local home rental agencies and hotel and motel group coordinators, actively bringing Garrett County's great outdoors to their doorstep in the hope of attracting new guests who might otherwise choose another of the county's recreational alternatives.

In addition to Nature Tourism, another type of tourism that is growing in popularity is Heritage Tourism, where visitors can learn about Garrett County's early days as a traditional Native American hunting ground and summer home, to the role of coal mining in the formative years of the county's existence or even the creation of Deep Creek Lake by the Youghiogheny Electric Company in 1925.

A leisurely stroll past historical sites on a guided bird-watching tour wearing snow shoes made just that morning...

Yes, it could happen to anyone.

Deep Creek Lake State Park

Remember, as a child, that first foray into the wilds of the world; that first adventure away from the limiting, four-walled confines of your home? Do you recall the excitement of meeting new friends at summer camp or perhaps that first all-day hike at a Cub Scout retreat? For the less-adventurous, that memory may be the construction of a make-shift shelter pitched in the back yard, where wonder and imagination could run untethered — that is, until mom realized it was her good linens that were being held up with broken branches and staked to the ground out there.

Luckily, for those who survived her wrath, there is a 1,876-acre "back yard" at the base of Meadow Mountain, right in the heart of Garrett County. There, amid the dense oak and hemlock forest, lies Deep Creek Lake State Park, with 112 campsites best suited to those with minimal camping experience — or those who just like their amenities nearby.

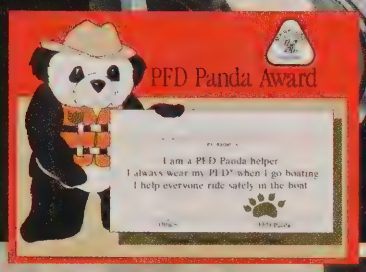
"I'd say our park is more suited to camping with family and friends," says DNR Ranger Carole Walker. "These campsites are anything but primitive."

Ranger Walker is one of four rangers and two supervisors whose job is to patrol the State Park, the "buffer strip"— public lands that run along the 65 miles of Deep Creek Lake's shoreline, and the Youghiogheny scenic and wild river corridor, — and to make each visitor's stay as safe, pleasant and interesting as possible.

"During the summer camping season, we have a nightly campfire at the amphitheater, right in the center of the campground, where we might show a video, present a slide show on Garrett County wildlife or maybe a talk on the history of Garrett County. There's marshmallows for the kids and it's wheelchair accessible, so everyone can attend," says Walker.

Natural Resources Police (NRP) Officer John Milbourne and Reserve Officer Sarah Crouse give a 'PFD Panda Award' to youngsters found wearing their PFD correctly.

Below center: Orienteering, water skiing, personal watercraft, and sailing are popular past times at Deep Creek Lake.

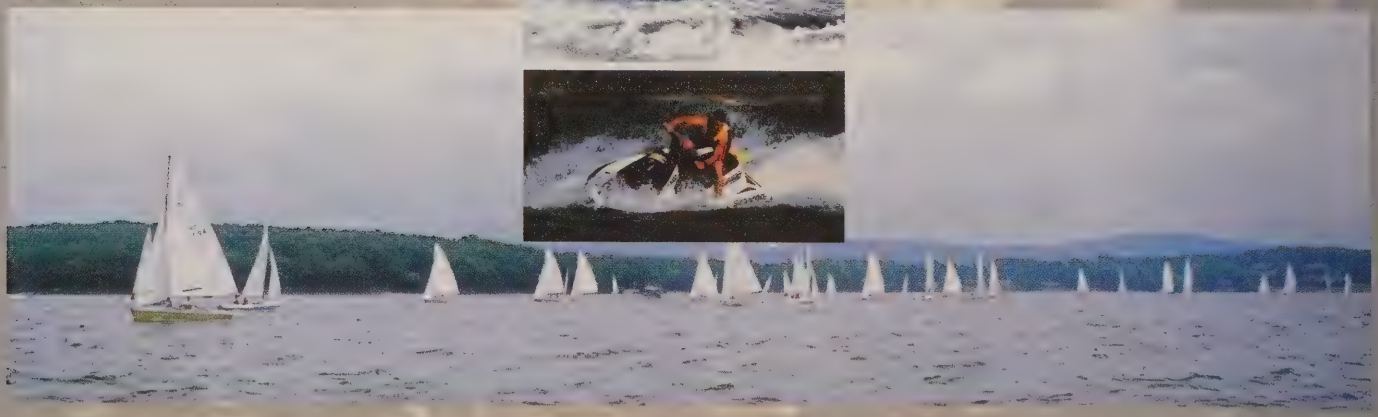


PFD Panda Award is presented to children for voluntarily wearing the appropriate life vest. The certificate can be redeemed for gifts by area merchants participating in the program.

In addition to the organized events, the park also offers plenty of both summer and winter recreational options, including a day-use area that boasts two swimming beaches, three children's playgrounds and four covered shelters which are equipped with grills and picnic tables and are ideal for family reunions or group picnics. If being out on the water is more to your liking, bring your boat along, too. There's a 24-hour public boat dock that is open all year, weather allowing, and campers have access to a limited number of assigned slips at the park dock.

Winter time may find the rangers inspecting any of the approximately 10 miles of trails that snake their way through the dense Appalachian hardwoods that cloak the park. These summer hiking trails are left ungroomed in the winter and used primarily as snowmobile trails. Interpretive programs are mostly moved across the road to the newly-opened Discovery Center. These may include ice-fishing demonstrations, snowshoeing, family sleigh- or hay rides or tracking hikes, where you can learn to distinguish animals by their footprints.

So, it seems that no matter what time of year you decide to visit Deep Creek Lake State Park, you'll find plenty to do and learn. But, please, leave mom's good linens at home.



Potomac/Garrett State Forest

There's an old Joan Rivers joke which, loosely paraphrased, says that her idea of "roughing it" means having to ring twice for room service. That being said, it's probably safe to say that Ms. Rivers will never take the 20-minute drive from Oakland through Mountain Lake Park, then southeast out State Hwy. 560 to Potomac State Forest. If she did, she'd find there, among the oak and maple trees, over 12,000 acres of rugged Appalachian Mountain terrain that is not recommended for the room-service crowd.

"Well, the campers we see here are definitely a little more experienced." says Potomac Forest Park Ranger Rick Wakefield. "We have just over 40 primitive campsites scattered throughout the forest. That means no water faucets, no bathhouses, and no RV hookups. Just a clearing to pitch a tent, a picnic table and a fire pit." Add to that about 25-30 miles of hiking/snow-mobile trails and you've stirred up the perfect cocktail for getting up close and personal with nature at its most basic level.

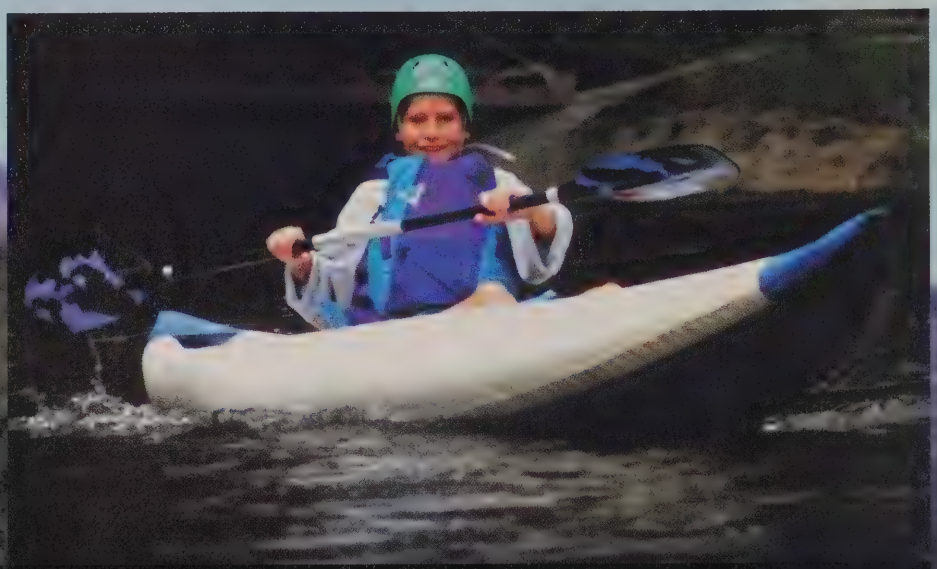
"Historically, all our state forests began with preservation in mind — beginning with the Garrett brothers' first land grant in 1906," says Wakefield. But the desire for recreation soon made it apparent that some sort of balance had to be struck between the use and the preservation of the resources. One way of using the resources, and ultimately preserving them, is through the controlled and systematic cutting and sale of timber.

Above: Outdoor enthusiasts enjoy cross country skiing.
Left: Muddy Creek Falls located in Swallow Falls State Park.

"Out here, we try to leave the resources as close as possible to the way God made them."

A prime example of leaving nature (mostly) alone is the Lost Land Trail, where campers, birdwatchers, day-hikers and hunters alike can enjoy the fruits of nature's labor from a thousand millennia. Hiking along the 3.5 mile trail from its start at the ranger station, just try not to be stirred by the multi-tiered beauty of Cascade Falls, whose towering guardians are the hundred-year-old hemlocks that sway stoically along its bank. Stop and peer into the rushing brook below the Swinging Bridge. And at trail's end, enjoy the breath-taking view from the overlook above the south branch of the Potomac... watching as it wends down through West Virginia on its way to Kitzmiller, its clear flowing

Rafting the swift Youghiogheny, fast and rapid or slow and easy.



A popular sport on even flat water — paddling an inflatable "duckie" on one of the Youghiogheny's quiet stretches.

coolness alternately ideal for fly fishing, swimming or for skipping smooth stones while waiting for the hotdogs to grill at the nearby picnic area. Whether camping in the area or just out for the day, the wilderness feel of Potomac State Forest is inescapable.

Over on the western edge of the county — about a 10-minute drive from Oakland — lies Garrett State Forest, a 7400-acre tract of forest, valleys and streams that also contains two state parks, the blood-rushing roar of Swallow Falls and the year-round recreation opportunities of Herrington Manor State Park.

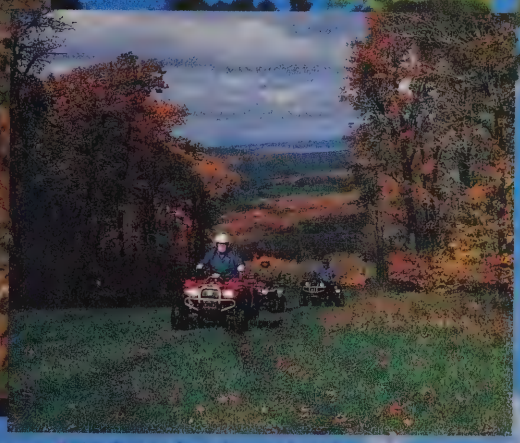
With its constant gurgling, swerving, bubbling, churning flux of water, this section of the Youghiogheny River known as Swallow Falls is a stark reminder that the earth's most abundant resource is also its most powerful.

"See that rock in the middle of the falls?" asks avid hiker and guide Diane Miller of the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. She is pointing to a four-foot chunk of slick stone jutting out near the base of Muddy Creek Falls which tumbles down about 52 feet to meet the main river. "Well, the rest of it is below the surface. It's actually about 15 feet long and probably weighs a couple of tons. We had a heavy rain here about three years ago that picked it up and washed that slab down about 30 feet."

Hiking along Swallow Falls' many trails, odds are one will have ample chances for similar moments of silent awe. Ancient stands of virgin hemlock welcome everyone from the casual strollers who amble along the wide, well-kept paths on the river-left side of the falls to the hardier hikers and cross-country skiers who prefer the other side's narrower, more natural trail.

Protected under the Maryland Wild & Scenic Act since 1968, this "wild" section of the river — so designated because of the lack of development along its banks — is a favorite run for kayakers, swimmers and those who just want to wade into its crisp coolness.

Just up the road from Swallow Falls is Herrington Manor State Park, another year-round playground where families and friends can swim, boat (rentals of canoe, row and paddle boats are available) and trout-fish the 53-acre lake. For those less aquatically-inclined, there are also volleyball and tennis courts and plenty of hiking trails. During the winter, these same trails are used by snowmobiles and cross-country skiers. Cabin rentals and a food and gift concession round out the amenities, making Herrington Manor the ideal choice for group or family picnicking in the summer and warming your hands over the massive fireplace inside the concession in the winter.



New Germany State Park

Savage River—a first choice for planned whitewater events and site of the 1989 World Championship Whitewater races.

Four wheeling on designated trails provides ample opportunity to experience beautiful mountain scenery and vistas.

Nestled into an elbow at the northern end of Savage River State Forest, amid conifer stands of virgin hemlock and neatly rowed pines planted in the late 1950's, this 400-acre park offers so many recreational opportunities, you may have to call the office and tell them you are extending your vacation a little longer. In fact, Ranger Mike Gregory suggests you take a couple of days just looking around to see which trails and areas suit your tastes.

"We have 39 campsites here, 11 rental cabins and 8 miles of trails. Add to that the ability to find a pet area, somewhere near Savage River that you can pretty much have to yourself on any day of the week during the off season, and a person could easily spend a month here and never see the same place twice," says Gregory. And any given day of the week during any season might find the park's caretakers, seven commissioned law enforcement officers (rangers) and eight employees, putting on nature activities or campfire programs for a variety of groups — from hotel tours to scout troops. "We deal with the public almost daily all year-round out here," says Gregory.

Much of that public contact is focused around New Germany Lake, a 13-acre jewel just across the road from ranger headquarters. Its cool, placid waters are ideal for swimmers to cool themselves on hot summer days. Boat rentals are available and fishing enthusiasts can try their luck casting for rainbow trout, bass, bluegill and tigermusky.

Once into the forest itself, however, the rangers' focus shifts to the management of timber stands, which include a wide selection of hardwoods such as red and sugar maples, beech trees, and various oaks, including red, white, scarlett and black, and coniferous stands of red and white pines, Norway spruce and the occasional Tamarack. All are essential in the forest's role as a natural hydro-filtering system.

"The continental divide is only about 4 miles north of here, so the water that drains through this forest comes through Wolf Swamp and Poplar Lick, then drains from here on down to the Potomac and eventually into Chesapeake Bay. We have to make sure we do our part to keep it clean."

In addition to managing and protecting timber, the rangers' duties also extend to the protection of areas which may be the habitat of threatened or endangered species and the maintenance of habitats for both game and non-game species.

We want to extend a grateful thank you to "Patty" Manown Mash *(Regional Coordinator - Nature Tourism Program) and all the DNR staff for their support and input in the making of these stories and photography.*

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Dancing on the Frothing Edge of Control

Whitewatering in Garrett County

Photo courtesy of USA Raft

Imagine yourself being swept along atop thousands of gallons of a rushing, gurgling, churning, mountain river... the only thing between you and a chilly swim is a sleek, 12-foot hunk of fiberglass or a four-person, inflated rubber boat. And, of course, your ability to handle the task at hand —negotiating the swiftly-moving currents as you maneuver your craft to the edge of the unknown.

"When you're out on whitewater, you cannot think about anything else. Your concentration has to be on the ever-changing flow of the river around you," says Precision Rafting's Roger Zbel. "It's very therapeutic in that you have to stay in the moment and not worry about bills or what's happening back at the office."

Standard whitewater gear begins with a swimsuit and a pair of shoes you won't mind getting very wet. The spring and early summer water temperatures, being winter run-off, require a wet suit for insulation and a nylon splash jacket. Later in the year you can lose the wet suit. Sportsmen from 8 to 80 can enjoy some of the calmer runs, while 12 years is about the low end for the higher-level ones. Four-person rafts (three passengers and one guide) are an ideal adventure outing for the family that likes to get their thrills together or for those who just want to experience being in nature. But for the ultimate test of your concentration, stamina and skill, kayaking lessons are also available, beginning with the inflatable duckies and progressing to the two-piece, decked kayak.

For three seasons out of the year – April 15 to October 15 – visitors to Garrett County can find whitewater opportunities for just about any level of experience and courage. Some of these include the spring and summer whitewater releases out of Jennings Randolph Reservoir which allow beginners to get their feet wet, so to speak, with level I - II runs. For those with mid-level experience and up there is the world-renowned Savage River – a five-mile, level III - IV run that was home to the 1988 - 89 World Kayaking Championships as well as the 1999 U.S. Team trials. For the most challenging whitewater fun in Garrett County, try the level III - V run on the Upper Yough near Friendsville.

"These are all about four-hour runs which are done during the heat of the day – between about noon and 4 p.m. – so they make for the perfect day trip from Pittsburgh or the D.C. area," adds Zbel. "Or, if they're staying here, it doesn't take up the whole day so they could play a round of golf in the morning, whitewater in the afternoon, and go out to dinner in the evening."

Sounds like a perfect day.

For information on whitewater release dates, gear rentals or guided excursions, contact any of the outfitters listed in this guide.

written by Titos Menchaca

Fishing in Garrett County

Written by **Titos Menchaca**
Photography by **Lance Bell**

Just as the old adage "where there's smoke, there's fire" rings true, so do the words "where there's fish, there's fishermen"... and Garrett County has plenty of both. Plenty of brave souls who leave the comfort of their warm beds at an hour when even the earliest birds are still dreaming about the worms they'll get that day. These are dedicated anglers who face the elements in an effort to drop the first lure or cast the first fly into a school of hungry trout or walleye or bass. From lakes large and small to reservoirs and hundreds of miles of rivers and streams, anglers have an almost endless array of opportunities to practice their sport — and at a cost that leave them with plenty of change to buy bait.

"Non-residents in Maryland pay only $20.00 to fish for the entire year. That's what some states charge to fish there for just a couple of weeks," laughs Ken Pavol, the Western Region Manager for the Fishing Service. "And residents pay only $10.00. So, it's quite reasonable."

Pavol and his staff work year-round checking population levels and water quality, among other things, to make sure there are plenty of catchable-size fish in all of Garrett County's waterways. Cruising Deep Creek Lake or the Youghiogheny River Lake, you can cast your lures out to angle for yellow perch, trout, sunfish, northern pike and the excellent bass and walleye for which the area is best known. Smaller lakes such as Herrington Manor Lake, New Germany Lake, Broadford Lake and the Jennings Randolph Lake are also stocked annually and provide excellent sport. And the Savage River offers world-class angling opportunities.

A seasoned angler walks up to a kid fishing in the ice and asks, "What bait are you using, sonny?"
"Worms, sir," replies the boy.
"Any luck?" inquires the elder.
"None so far," answers the boy.
"No wonder," counters the old man. "If you wanna catch the big fish out here, you gotta use fly larvae... you know, maggots."

"But sir," the boy inquires, feeling a bit green in the gills, "don't they freeze on the hook when you put 'em in the water?"

"Nah," grins the old man mischievously as he spits into his hand where he'd deftly palmed a couple of the slimy creatures. "Not if you keep 'em warm."

One extremely popular winter activity is the sport of ice fishing on Deep Creek Lake. It usually starts in the coves then moves to the main part of the lake by January, where the ice can reach 30 inches or more in thickness.

"It's physically challenging, standing on ice out there in the cold wind waiting for a "tip up" [indicating that a fish has bitten], especially since the fish sometimes stay dormant for hours or even days," adds Pavol. "The water temperature is between 32 and 39 degrees F, so the fishes' metabolism slows way down."

Pavol suggests using some kind of windbreak or pup tent, especially since, in an ironic twist, it seems that the fish — usually trout, perch and walleye — are more active on cold and overcast days.

Even though the winter is long and the growing season short (causing the growth rate to be slow), Garrett County can still boast the state record catches of northern pike (24-lbs./12-oz.) and yellow perch (2-lbs./6-oz.), along with the trophy bluegill, a replica of which hangs in Johnny's Bait House.

It weighed 3 pounds and 7 ounces, which is huge for a bluegill, and was caught by a little nine-year-old girl," marvels Pavol. "And not to mention, Deep Creek Lake also has the state record for the biggest walleye (46 inches, 14-lbs./4-oz.) as well."

Further evidence of the healthy state of Garrett County's fisheries is the record trout catches the county can claim, including a brook trout that weighed in at 6-lb./1 and 3/4 oz, a 12-lb/10-oz. brown trout, a 14-lb./3-oz. rainbow trout and the biggest cutthroat trout which tipped the scales at a healthy 5 pounds and 5 ounces. Except a small federal excise tax on fishing tackle, the DNR Fisheries are entirely funded by fishermen through the sale of fishing licenses.

Putting the *Fine* in Fine Dining

Maybe it's the year-round recreational opportunities... maybe it's the quiet lifestyle available here... maybe it's the exceptional quality of the people who live, work and visit here... maybe it was dumb luck or divine intervention. Whatever it is that attracts extraordinary culinary experts here does not really matter. What does matter is that in Garrett County, in this little sliver of terra firma off the elbow of the Appalachian Plateau, one can discover a collection of master chefs who create some of the most delectable, palette pleasing, tongue tickling dishes that can be found anywhere. France, Germany, Italy, the Far East, the Middle East, Africa and India are home to but a few of the culinary influences our master chefs have explored.

Here is an assortment of mouth-watering recipes from the kitchens of these local food masters, along with a little insight into the workings of their establishments and of themselves. So, break out your best china, the real silver and the linen tablecloth. Pull up a chair... and, please, enjoy.

Chef Sang V. Le
Point View Inn

Written by Titos Menchaca
Photography by Lance Bell

Chef Sang V. Le
Point View Inn

About the chef:
After honing his craft at the Heinz Company in Pittsburgh, Sang V. Le has spent the past 10 years pleasing hungry patrons as Exc. Chef of the Point View Inn on Deep Creek Drive.

About the recipe:
Be sure to grill the tuna in high heat, and don't over-cook it, it's served best rare to medium rare.

His favorite dish:
Chateaubriand because of the challenge of table-side service, along with the surprised look on the customer's face when he wheels out the food from the kitchen.

Last word:
"I think our seafood is the best on the lake."

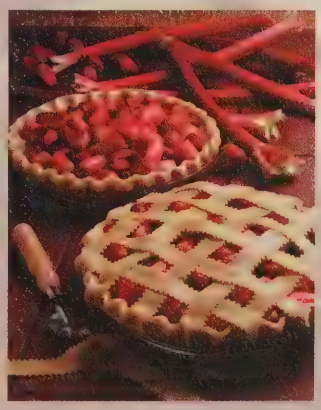
Editor's note:
We asked each of the chefs and restaurants chosen for this publication to provide us with a favorite recipe. The recipes are on pages 23 and 24. You might see something you've tried and liked—they all sound mouth watering. Bon Appetit.

Owners Chef Pascal Fontaine & wife Sandy
Deer Park Inn

About him: After spending over 10 years as the Executive Chef at the Westin Hotel near Georgetown, Pascal Fontaine now makes his home in Garrett County as chef/owner of the Deer Park Inn. Originally from France where he studied at the Jean Droant Culinary School of Paris, Mr. Fontaine has found culinary influences all over the world — from the Far East to Africa and throughout Europe.

About the recipe: "Fortunately, it's just about fool-proof. Just follow the directions, use good ingredients and even if you over-cook it a bit, it'll just be a little crunchy."

His favorite dish: "My taste changes all the time, depending on what I can get fresh. I love making Comfit of Duck. You marinate it in its own juices after curing it overnight in salt, garlic and other herbs."



Last word: "We try as much as possible to use locally grown produce, even going so far as to request certain crops of the farmers. I am very concerned about the foods we put into our bodies. Fresh, natural foods will have a much better long-term effect."

Owner
Doug McClive
George Collins
Wine Expert
& Bruce VanWagner
McClive's Restaurant

About him: Owner and manager Doug McClive has been dazzling palettes around Deep Creek Lake for 25 years, first as the head chef for the Will O' the Wisp, then the Silver Tree and, for the last 13 years, at the lakeside restaurant that bears his name. "I started cooking in 1966 and trained under the same chef for about 8 years," he says. "I liked the people and became fascinated with the creativity involved in finding the food's peak in presentation and recipe."

About the recipe: "Make sure you don't cook it past medium. Yellowfin tuna is at its peak in flavor there. And we usually serve it with a mango/kiwi salsa with peppers and onions chopped into it to give it a little zest... something cold to offset the tang you get from the bar-b-que."

His favorite dish: Depends on the time of year. Winter means heartier soups while springtime "feels lighter" so fresh fish or "any kind of lamb" hits the spot. "Your body needs different things at different times of the year and your palette reflects that."

Last word: "Always have the right wine with your meal. It adds another flavor accent to the plate and enhances the whole experience."

Chef Fabrice Dufour
Owners Fred & Christiane Bergheim
Cornish Manor Restaurant

About him: Fabrice was born of French parents and is quite naturally learning the art of fine French cuisine. His father, Maurice Dufour (deceased), was a French trained Master Chef. His mother, Christiane, later married Fred Bergheim and together they operated the French Cafe Bakery before purchasing the Cornish Manor in 1994. Garrett County now has a choice of French cuisine with Chef Fabrice Dufour and Christiane.

About the recipe: The key to preparing Veal Romanichel is to choose the best veal you can find ("not too thick") and then watch your cooking time...no more than 8 to 10 minutes.

His favorite dish: Orange Roughy stuffed with crab meat in a lobster bisque sauce and "just about any pastry".

Last word: When you make a reservation, "We keep your table waiting, not you!"

Chef Bridget Roque
Owner Jan Russell
Savage River Lodge

About her: She is a native of this area and trained at the Pennsylvania Institute of Culinary Arts. Even though Bridget Roque started at Savage River Lodge a short time ago, she speaks with great pride and affection about her new home... and about her new job as head chef at the Savage River Lodge.

About the recipe: "Just follow the directions carefully. It's the stuffing that really makes this an outstanding dish."

Her favorite dish: Spicy crusted pork loin marinated over night in cinnamon, olive oil and garlic and served with a banana-date chutney (a chunky salsa made with bananas, dates, garlic, onion, lemon juice, red pepper and molasses).

Last word: "Our rustic tarts are some of our most popular desserts. People really love the sweet, cinnamon homemade dough with fresh fruit and ice cream. And they just love our bread, too."

Chef Don Scott Quinn
Owner Kathy Gibson
Red Run Lodge

About him: With a culinary degree from Westmoreland Culinary School, Don Scott Quinn is making a name for himself as a versatile chef who takes great pleasure in preparing à la carte meals for large groups of guests. "I've been interested in the culinary world my whole life. Growing up in a small town made it a challenge to keep up with the continuing changes in the culinary world. In striving for excellence, it is hard to be committed to only one specialty item. Every customer has their own special tastes, and it is very rewarding being able to fulfill their wants and needs."

About the recipe: "This is not a complicated recipe, but what makes the Red Run Apple Cake so special is the variety of icings it can be served with. When warmed and served à la mode, this is a moist cake treat you won't forget!"

His favorite dish: Potato crusted grouper in a lemon-lime buerre blanc sauce over saffron rice and served with a medley of roasted fresh garden vegetables.

Chef Bryon Bowman
& Owner Elaine McDonald
Silver Tree Ristoranté

About him: If longevity is a sign of satisfaction, count Bryon Bowman as one happy camper... and so are patrons of the Silver Tree, where Mr. Bowman has been employed for the last 20 years, serving the last eight as head chef. "I love the challenge of coming up with new dishes and working with these people," explains Bowman. "And I think I put out some of the best soups and sauces around, like my chowder and seafood stew." About the recipe: Use only fresh oysters and jumbo crab, make sure the cream cheese is soft ... and don't over-cook it

His favorite dish: Definitely a steak. Probably a blackened filet mignon with crab meat, with a side of steamed asparagus in a béarnaise sauce.

Last word: "I usually describe our menu as American fare with an Italian accent... great steaks and excellent seafood and pasta."

Director Martin Heise & Chefs
(left to right) Daniel Seib, Martin Heise, James Smith
(seated) Sherry Wiley, Brenda McDonnell & Tina Fox

The Four Seasons Dining Room at Will O' The Wisp, The PLACE at the Base of the Face at Wisp and Wisp Food Services

About him: Food and Beverage Director Martin Heise was educated at the Cornell School of Hotel Administration and is the third generation of his family to be involved in hospitality services in Garrett County. He describes his job as "akin to the impresario of an opera house. I engage the artists who make the performance memorable. With the different styles of food and demands unique to each operation, we have a team of chefs and culinarians, each member contributing something different and essential. Chefs Brenda and Daniel specialize in The PLACE, offering relaxed, casual dining, along with Pizzazz Pizzeria, home of authentic New York style pizza and other Italian specialties. Chefs Sherry Wiley and Jim Smith head Will O' The Wisp, where the emphasis is on fine dining. Tina Fox contributes her expertise in garde manger and line work for the highly diversified demands of the banquet operation at Wisp.

About the recipes: Along with proper application of basic techniques, which I have tried to describe in detail, the essentials are quality of ingredients and consistency of production.

His favorite dish: "I no more have a favorite dish than I have a favorite star in the night sky. A current preoccupation for me is regional cuisine (currently termed 'peasant cookery'), featuring dishes developed by resourceful people with limited budgets. I am fascinated by dishes such as bouillabaisse, risotto, paella, ragouts, stews, goulasch, estouffades and various breads.

Last word: "Our team's goal is to offer something of value to satisfy everyone, and we would delight in trying to please you."

The Recipes

CORNISH MANOR
Veal Cutlets Romanichel
Escalopes de veau romanichel

FOR FOUR PEOPLE
4 French-cut veal cutlets
1 egg, slightly beaten
4 slices Prosciutto
1/2 cup soft bread crumbs
4 slices Gruyere cheese
5 tablespoons butter
flour
salt and pepper

Order 3-ounce cutlets, trimmed as squarely as possible. Cut thin slices of Prosciutto & Gruyere cheese to exactly the same dimensions, pressing them very firmly together. Dip each set first in flour, then in beaten egg and then in breadcrumbs. Use plenty of coating so that veal, ham, and cheese will stick together. Heat the butter in a skillet and saute the cutlets 8 to 10 minutes on each side. Season with salt and pepper.

DEER PARK INN
Warm Chocolate Banana Tart

Ingredients for the Crust:
6 oz butter
6 oz sugar
5 oz shortening
2 eggs
1 lb Flour
A pinch of salt, and a pinch of baking powder

Put the flour, salt, sugar and baking powder in a bowl. All ingredients should be cold. Combine the dry ingredients, add the shortening and the butter piece by piece, and mix until the mixture resembles coarse meal. Add eggs one at a time, and work very quickly. If the dough is crumbly, add a little bit of cold water. Form a ball, and wrap the dough in plastic and chill for one hour. Roll out and line a tart form. Arrange bananas on bottom of shell. Sprinkle bananas with finely chopped white chocolate.

Ingredients for filling:
Melt:
10 oz bittersweet chocolate, chopped
1 oz butter

Mix :
1 1/4 cup corn syrup
18 oz sugar
Add chocolate and butter mix.

And last:
10 eggs
2 1/2 oz kahlua

Pour over the bananas and white chocolate. Bake in oven at 325 degrees for about 20 minutes. Serve warm on a plate with creme anglaise and garnish with fresh fruit wedges. Bon appetit!

THE FOUR SEASONS DINING ROOM AT WILL O' THE WISP
Pecan Crusted Fillets of Orange Roughy

Yield: 2 Portions
Temp: 350
Pan: Saute pan, Shallow Baking Dish

Fillets of Orange Roughy, boneless, 2 6-8 oz.
Salt and Pepper, To Taste
Milk, 2 Tbsp.
Pecans, finely chopped, 3/4 to 1 cup whole
Egg, whole, 1
Canola or Olive Oil OR Clarified Butter, 4 oz.
Flour, 1/4 cup
Frangelico Beurre Blanc (See Recipe)

1. Check fillets for bones and remove if necessary.
2. Combine milk and egg; blend with a fork. Season flour with small amount of salt and pepper.
3. Dredge fillets in seasoned flour on both sides. Place top side (the side INSIDE the fish) down into egg wash, then place in chopped pecans to coat evenly top side only.
4. Heat canola or olive oil OR clarified butter in saute pan until oil is completely still (highest temperature). Place fish fillets "pecan side" down, and saute until browned. Turn fillets gently and saute on plain floured side until firm but not cooked all the way.
5. Place in baking dish and finish in a 350° oven, approximately 10 minutes (time will depend on the thickness of the fillets).
6. Transfer to a warm plate coated with a pool of Frangelico Beurre Blanc. Pour some sauce over the fish if you wish, but do not coat it completely because the pecan coating should be a little crunchy.

Frangelico Beurre Blanc*

Yield: Enough sauce for two portions
Temp: High Flame
Pan: Saute Pan Time: 5- 7 Minutes

Frangelico Liqueur, 1/2 to 3/4 cup
Heavy Cream (Whipping), 2 Tbsp.
Shallot, peeled and minced, 1
Whole Unsalted Butter, 4 oz.

1. Combine Frangelico and minced shallot in sauté pan and reduce to sec, a thickened syrup about one fourth the original volume. Flaming helps speed the process, & beware the pan will probably flame anyway: be careful of your eyebrows and watch that the flames do not get sucked up the exhaust fan.
2. Add heavy cream and reduce until the residue is thick and bubbly. You do not need to keep the pan moving when reducing the liqueur, but you must do so when reducing the cream.
3. Remove from heat and add small chunks of COLD, SOLID butter, one at a time, whipping with a fine wire whisk until all butter is incorporated. You can tell when the base is getting to the saturation point when small unincorporated globules start appearing on the sides of the pan.
4. Sauce should be served immediately, but it will keep a while in a hot water bath.
**Note:* Classic beurre blanc is made without the heavy cream, but it is extremely delicate. The heavy cream makes the sauce much more stable.

McCLIVES
Bar-B-Qued Tuna Steaks

2 C. fresh orange, juice
1/2 C. Soy Sauce
1 C. Red Wine Vinegar
1/2 C. Olive Oil
1 onion chopped
4 cloves garlic, minced
1 tsp. crushed red pepper flakes.
1 Tbsp. ground cumin
1 tsp. fresh ground black pepper
1 1/2 Tbsp. mixed pickling spice
1 small can tomato paste(6 oz.)
1/2 C. sugar
6 1" thick filets of fresh yellowfin tuna
2 Tbsp. unsalted butter

1. whisk together all ingredients for the marinade except the unsalted butter.
2. Arrange 6 one inch thick pieces of Yellowfin tuna, in a single layer in a baking dish or pan that will hold them.
3. Pour the marinade over and cover and chill overnight up to 24 hours.
4. Drain the marinade and reserve in a bowl
5. Grill the tuna over a preheated, hot grill for only about 3 min. each side. Return the tuna, to the baking dish, spoon 1 TBSP. marinade over each and bake in a preheated 375° oven for 4-5 min. or until the steaks are medium rare.
6. Top each steak with 1 tsp. unsalted butter & a turn of freshly ground black pepper.

POINT VIEW INN
Grilled Tuna Steak
Fish Entree by Sang V. Le

Yield:4senrings
4 12oz Tuna loins
2 tsp Olive oil
1 tsp Soy sauce
1 tsp Sugar
juice of 1/2 lime, salt and pepper

Combined all the ingredients in pan and marinate the tuna loins for two hours or more. Grilling the tuna 2 minutes for each side or about medium rare, and set them at side.

Salad:
2# mixed lettuces
1 cup of coriander and sweet basil leaves
1/2 cup bean sprouts
1/2 cup julienne of red and yellow pepper and carrot

Sauce:
1 clove of garlic minced.
1/2 tsp sugar.
4 tsp fresh lime juice.
1 fresh or dried Chile, minced.
3 tsp water
3 tsp fish sauce OR
2 tsp soy sauce
1 tsp anchovies base

Combine all the ingredients in a bowl, let sit in room temperature for at least 10 minutes.

Mix all the salad items and arrange in the center of serving plate, cut the tuna in half then sit it on top the salad and then drizzle it with dressing.

THE PLACE AT THE BASE OF THE FACE
Eggplant Rollitini Appetizer

Yield: Approx. 10 Orders,
2 Rollitini/Order
Temp: 400° Oven
Pan: Saute Pan & Shallow Baking Dish
Time: 12 Minutes Baking

Eggplant, Whole, 1 Small
Eggs, Whole, 4, beaten
Ricotta Cheese, 1/2 lb. (1 c.)
Vegetable OR Soy Oil, 1 c.
Shredded Mozzarella Cheese, 1/2 lb. (2 cups)
Tomato Sauce, 5 cups
Grated Parmesan OR Romano Cheese, 1/2 lb. (2 cups)
Grated Parmesan OR Romano Cheese, 1/4 lb. (1 cup)
Spinach, Fresh, 1 10-oz. bag
Mozzarella Cheese 10 1-oz. slices
Flour, 1 1/2 c.

1. Peel and slice eggplant lengthwise into 1/8" thick slices. Place in acidulated water (with lemon juice), remove from water and set aside to drain.
2. Mix together the 3 cheeses (your hands work best for this). Clean spinach, remove stems, and chop leaves finely. Add to cheese mix, blend, and refrigerate.
3. Dredge eggplant in flour, then into the eggs.
4. Heat oil in saute pan until it reaches hottest point (when it is completely still). Place eggplant in hot oil and fry on both sides, about 45 seconds each side. Drain on paper towels spread on a baking sheet.
5. Place a handful of spinach and cheese mixture on one end of eggplant and roll up, pressing down gently to seal the seam.
6. In shallow baking dish, pour half the Tomato Sauce in bottom and place the rollitini in sauce. Cover with rest of Tomato Sauce and 1 cup of grated Parmesan or Romano cheese. Bake in preheated 400° oven for 7 minutes. Remove and add the sliced mozzarella cheese. Return to oven for 5 minutes or until cheese is melted.
7. Remove to serving dishes with a spatula, 2 rollitini per portion, and be sure to have plenty of bread and butter ready to accompany the dish.

RED RUN
Red Run Apple Cake

3 Eggs
3 Cups All-purpose flour
2 Tsp Vanilla Extract
1 Tsp. Salt
1 Cup Vegetable Oil
1 Tsp. Baking Soda
2 Cups Granulated Sugar
1/2 Cup Chopped Walnuts
3 Cups Apples-Peeled, Cored, Chopped

BEAT: Eggs ,Vanilla, Oil.

MIX: Dry Ingredients (Sugar, Flour, Salt, Soda)

COMBINE: All ingredients and pour into two, 8" round cake pans (greased). Bake at 350° for 30 minutes. Let cool and ice as desired.

SILVER TREE
Oysters Maryland

Yeilds 6 appetizer servings.

24 Oysters on the half shell
1/4 c. green peppers - chopped
1/4 c. red peppers - chopped
1 clove chopped garlic
1 tsp. dry mustard
3 tsp. Worcestershire
Dash of salt / pepper
1 lb. crabmeat
3 Tbls. cracker crumbs
2 Tbls. horseradish
1/4 c. soft cream cheese

Preheat oven to 350°. Place oysters on a sheet pan. Combine the remaining ingredients in a small bowl. Place the crab mixture on top of the oysters. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes. Serve hot.

SAVAGE RIVER LODGE
Roasted Quail with Apple Pecan Stuffing

4 Quail - Rinse, pat dry and refrigerate

Stuffing:
3 cups of bread crumbs
2 cups apple cider
1 apple, cored and shredded
3 Tbsp. chopped pecans

Combine apple cider and shredded apple in saucepan. Simmer approximately 10 minutes, until apple is tender. Mix in bread crumbs and pecans. Cool to room temperature.
Stuff quail with stuffing mixture.
Roast in 350° oven for 25 minutes, or until internal temperature reaches 165°.

Serving suggestions:
Asparagus spears sauted in butter, salt and white pepper.Twice baked yams with butter, sage and pecans.

Serves 2-4 depending on size of quail and accompaniments.

Recreation

ALPINE (Downhill) SKIING— Wisp Ski Resort, located at Deep Creek Lake, is Maryland's only Alpine ski area. Rising to an elevation of 3,080 feet with a 610-foot vertical drop, Wisp offers a wide variety of terrains to suit both young and old from beginner to expert. Wisp boasts 23 trails covering 14 miles and 90 acres of skiable terrain, halfpipe and Terrain Park. The lift system includes two triple and three double chair lifts plus two surface tows with uphill capacity of 9,120 skiers per hour. Night skiing is available over 90% of the trails. State of the art snowmaking can cover 90% of all trails with man made snow when nature needs a little help. Specialized computerization and water pumping stations, coupled with the expertise skilled snowmaking personnel, have earned Wisp the reputation for "best snowmaking in the east."

Wisp Ski and Snowboard Adventures offer lessons for the beginner, intermediate, and advanced winter enthusiast. Group or private lessons are offered for conventional Alpine skiing or snowboarding. Traditional ski rental equipment is available at the Wisp Rental Shop and the Adventure Center carries a complete line of parabolic shaped ski and snowboards. Equipment, apparel, and accessories may be purchased on site at Rudy's Ski Shop, located on the lower level of the McHenry House. Events and competitions are held at Wisp throughout the season, including the Maryland Special Olympic Winter Games, Mid-Atlantic Snowboard Series, Collegiate Ski Races, and the US Ski Series featuring east coast professionals and area amateurs. For information on snow events, please call Wisp at 301-387-4911, ext. 2144.

Wisps' base lodge, The McHenry House, offers a variety of food and beverage outlets that are open year-round. Dining room service is available at The Place at The Base of The Face, while more casual meals are offered at Pizzazz Pizzeria and the Cafeteria. You may relax in front of the fireplace at The Gathering or 23° Below Lounge.

Children—Willy Wisp is a unique year-round youth center (operated in conjunction with Garrett Community College) that offers opportunities for education, exercise, exploration and socialization in the resort atmosphere of Wisp. Winter programming titled Skiwee (Alpine) and Mini Rider (snowboarding), offer unlimited lift runs, winter games, and an orientation to snow play. An abundance of summer camps featuring hiking, biking, tennis, golf, swimming, performing arts, and computer technology will stimulate and dazzle your child!

Accommodations—There is a hotel on site as well as ski-in/ski-out private homes and townhouses. A variety of vacation cabins, hotels/motels, bed & breakfast, and condominiums are available throughout the area.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT— Entertainment at its finest is offered by local and touring artists at the Garrett Lakes Arts Festival at Deep Creek Lake, Spruce Forest Artisan Village Summer Concert Series at Penn Alps in Grantsville, Our Town Theatre for the Performing Arts in Oakland and the Garrett County Arts Council. Programming includes Chautauqua, chamber music, Irish Dance, Ballet, Barbershops, and numerous theatre productions. Entertainment is held each weekend throughout the summer season. For more information, see the Ongoing Calendar of Events, articles and display advertisements in this guide (beginning on pg.56).

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Downhill skiing at Wisp. © L. Bell

Recreation *(continued)*

BIKING—Just west of the Eastern Continental Divide running through Garrett County lie miles of sparsely traveled country roads. These offer panoramic vistas of farmlands folded among beautiful mountain scenery. This pristine mountain setting offers a perfect opportunity for a road cyclists dream getaway.

Garrett County's topography is largely mountainous. The average elevation is 2,300 feet with the highest point reaching 3,360 feet. Due to the wide-open spaces of this vast area, rides can vary in length and difficulty. Around Deep Creek Lake, riders can find gently rolling routes with a few short climbs and rewarding views of the lake and mountains. For those looking for more of a challenge, the surrounding mountains offer opportunities for big assents and the payback of long downhill glides. Each season provides a dramatic change in scenery from farmers' plowing and planting in the spring to fields of rolled hay and stacked dried corn shocks in shades of gold, orange and brown in the autumn.

Destination riding can be extremely rewarding as well. Once you get here you can park your car and do all sightseeing by bike. Adventurous cyclists can discover the highest free falling waterfall in Maryland, explore a sub-arctic swamp, or view a virgin hemlock forest.

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Biking at Deep Creek Lake State Park.

The State Highway Administration has provided 10-foot shoulders for safe riding on Routes 135, 495, and 219. Maryland Bicycle maps are available from the Visitors Center on Rt. 219 just north of Deep Creek Lake or by calling 301-387-4386 or visit www.garrettchamber.com . Bike rentals are available through local bike shops.

BOATING—Deep Creek Lake Area—Nearly every type of boat from sailboat, personal watercraft (PWC) to speedster can be seen on Deep Creek Lake. Local marinas have boats available for rental. Prices vary according to the size of the boat. Sailing on the lake is exceptional with races held every weekend in the season. The Deep Creek Sailing School offers on-the-water sailing lessons. Call (301) 387-4497.

The following are the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) regulations applicable to Deep Creek Lake:

Statewide Boating Regulations for Non-Tidal Waters:

1. Boating accidents must be reported.
2. When water-skiing, two persons in the boat (an operator and an observer) must be at least 12 years old.
3. No water-skiing between sunset and sunrise.
4. It is unlawful to operate a boat in a reckless or negligent manner, or while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
5. One Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) must be carried for each person aboard, and additional safety equipment may be required.
6. A valid registration must be on board and correctly displayed.
7. Water-skiing is not permitted within 100 feet of docks, shore, boats, or other people.
8. Navigation lights must be displayed between sunset and sunrise.
9. A Boating Safety Certificate is required for those born on or after July 1, 1972.

Specific Regulations for Deep Creek Lake:

1. A vessel may not exceed 26 feet in length, except pontoon boats, which may not exceed 30 feet.

2. Sirens are not permitted.
3. Houseboats are not permitted.
4. Engines may not exceed the manufacturers recommended capacity, or total displacement of 550 cubic inches, whichever is less.
5. Parasailing is not permitted on the lake.
6. Vessels shall be muffled so as not to exceed state noise level limits.
7. No garbage, sewage or other waste materials may be discharged into the lake.
8. Aircraft are prohibited on the lake and buffer strip.
9. Personal Watercraft (PWC) (a motorized vessel which can only carry the number of persons as specified by the manufacturer) may not be operated on the lake between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on: Saturday, Sunday and holiday of Memorial Day weekend and Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from July 1 through Labor Day. In addition to all other boating regulations, PWC must abide by a set of their own regulations, a few of which are:
   * Persons must be at least 16 years of age to operate a PWC.
   * All persons aboard a PWC must wear a Coast Guard approved personal floatation device (PFD).
   * A person may not operate a PWC in a negligent manner; i.e. jumping the wake of other vessels within 100 feet of vessel.
   * A person may not operate a PWC between the hours of sunset and sunrise.
   * A person may not operate a PWC at a speed in excess of 6 knots within 100 feet of another vessel, shore, dock, piling, structure or abutment, or people in the water.

Restricted Skiing Areas and Speed Zones:

1. On Deep Creek Lake, a person may not operate a vessel towing a skier, an aquaplane, or similar device within 100 feet of any object in the water, i.e. other boats, shore, docks or persons in the water.
2. Water-skiing is not permitted beyond the buoys in the upper end of North Glade Cove from 12 noon until sunset each Saturday, Sunday, and holiday.
3. A person may not operate a vessel at a speed in excess of 3 knots within 100 feet of the shoreline anywhere on the lake, except that a person may tow a skier from a dock or shore and then immediately exit the restricted area.
4. A person may not operate a vessel in excess of 3 knots between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday, and holidays from the Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day in that area which lies between Beckman's Cove and North Glade Cove.
5. A person may not operate a vessel at a speed in excess of 3 knots at any time in the following areas: Meadow Mountain Run, east of the Meadow Mountain Bridge; McHenry Cove, north of the restriction buoys; upper end of Red Run Cove, southwest of the restriction buoys; Thayerville Cove, southwest of a line of buoys extending from the easternmost point of the Arrowhead peninsula; upper end of Hoop Pole Cove, southwest of the restriction buoys; and upper end of Pawn Run Cove, northwest of the restriction buoys.

For more information, contact the Deep Creek Lake Recreation Area Office, 898 State Park Road, Swanton, MD 21561 or call (301) 387-4111. Department of Natural Resources Police Emergency Number (land or water) 1-800-628-9944 or Memorial Day through Labor Day call (301) 387-1101 for water-related problems.

Rowboats and paddle boats only are permitted on the lakes at Herrington Manor State Park, New Germany State Park and Savage River Reservoir. Rentals are available from park personnel at Herrington Manor and New Germany.

CAMPING—Garrett County is a camper's paradise. Whether you prefer tent, trailer or primitive camping, you'll find just what you are looking for. The chart below (shows privately owned campgrounds) and those in State Park and Forests can be found of page 35. Additional information may be obtained from the Garrett County Visitors Center near Deep Creek Lake or by calling the office at (301) 387-4FUN or www.garrettchamber.com or by email — info@garrettchamber.com.

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Campgrounds

• = *On Site*
A = *Within 5 Miles*

PRIVATELY-OWNED CAMPGROUNDS	BOATS						CAMPING									Concessions				TRAILS			GENERAL						Attractions	
		Rentals																												
	Launching	Sail Boats	Canoes	Paddle Boats	Row Boats	Boat Slips—	Improved	Unimproved	Drinking Water	Reservation	Bathhouse	Play Area/Ground	Dumping Station	Fireplaces	Tables	Food & Drink	Vending	Camp Store	LP Gas—	Hiking	Horseback	Nature	Picnicking	Shelters	Swimming	Fishing	Cabins	Winter Activities—	Scenic*	Water
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Some camping areas and parks permit pets and will accept reservations. Trailer hookups may be available in privately-owned campgrounds and some State Parks.

Primitive campers are invited to designated areas of Potomac State Forest, Garrett State Forest and Savage River State Forest.

CANOEING—Spring and fall are the best seasons for canoeing opportunities in Garrett County. River levels are usually up from either snowmelt or rainfall offering increased water levels for river and flatwater paddling. The Youghiogheny, Casselman, Potomac and Savage Rivers offer a wide range of difficulty for the beginner to expert paddlers. In addition, scheduled dam releases from Deep Creek Lake provide up to Class V whitewater from April through October. Dam release schedules for the Yough can be obtained by calling 814-533-8911. It is recommended to always know the difficulty of any river section you plan to paddle before your trip. Guide books for river information and 'put in' access for Garrett County, Maryland are included in; Maryland and Delaware Canoe Trails — Third Edition, by: Ed Gertler, Appalachian White Water and the Central Mountains-Volume II and Wild Water West Virginia which are available at the rafting companies. (see ads on pgs. 97-106)

Canoeing on Deep Creek Lake. © L. Bell

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Miniature golf is one of the many family-type entertainments available.

For flatwater paddlers there are many smaller lakes within a 25-mile radius of Deep Creek which do not allow powerboats. Each one has its own special character and is a peaceful experience at any time of the year. The Savage Reservoir, easily accessed at the Dry Run Road 'put in', has a wilderness feel due to its location within the Savage River State Forest. Views from the water are of steep mountains and wildlife experiences can be numerous. New Germany and Herrington Manor State Parks offer canoe rentals and other person-powered boats, which offer a great variety for families and teenagers. Both lakes have easy access for launching your own canoe. Broadford Lake, near the town of Oakland, has 140 acres of shallow water and a boat launch inside Broadford Park.

Deep Creek Lake, Youghiogheny Dam and Jennings Randolph Lake permit powerboats and all types of water sports. In the summer months it is best to canoe in the early morning or evening hours and all offer a great paddling adventure in the spring and fall.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING—With annual snowfalls up to 220 inches, State Forests and Parks of Garrett County provide many miles of cross-country ski trails. Due to its location in the Appalachian Plateau Region with high elevation, temperatures in Garrett County can drop below freezing as early as October. Ski enthusiasts begin to watch for accumulation in November and have been known to still be skiing on Easter. Late December through February are usually are the best months for gliding on the snow, and the varied terrain offers a great ski experience for the beginner to the backcountry explorer.

New Germany and Herrington Manor offer wide, well marked, groomed trails. Warming lodges at each park provide trail maps, snow conditions and weather information. These are also popular spots for lunch stops, warming up by the fire and meeting new people.

More advanced skiers will find challenging trails in both parks. The natural terrain of the mountains provides hills for climbing, sliding, and turning. The backcountry experience abounds in the State Forests. Maps are available at

State offices. For information on ski conditions please contact the appropriate park listed on pages 35 & 36. Cross-country ski rentals are available from Deep Creek Outfitters 301-387-6977.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTERS—For family entertainment at Deep Creek Lake, the Fun Zone Family Entertainment Center offers two new go-cart tracks, a bumper boat pool, miniature golf, Lazer Tag, an arcade with Pokemon and virtual racing, batting cages and a free playground 'ship', restaurant and Funland offers The Climbing Wall, Water Wars, video arcade, go-carts, carousel, bumper cars, miniature golf, pizza, ice-cream, subs and more. Both entertainment centers offer food concessions. For more information, see the display advertisements in this guidebook.

FISHING—Fishing in Garrett County waters is one of the area's most exciting and rewarding sports. Maryland's largest freshwater lake, Deep Creek Lake, is the center of fishing activity in the region.

Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) offers 'Free Fishing Days' on June 5, 12 and July 4, 2000. (No fishing license is required to fish in Maryland on these days.)

Excellent fishing for brown, rainbow and brook trout is available in Garrett County streams. Special regulation areas on the Savage and Casselman Rivers, numerous stocked streams and a multitude of native brook trout streams provide anglers with a variety of quality trout fishing possibilities. For a list of stocked streams and applicable regulations, consult the Maryland Sportfishing Guide, which is available from sellers of fishing licenses.

The Garrett County Fishing Contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and Johnny's Bait House, is held annually May 1 through September 30. Awards are given for the season's largest catches, and weekly winners are also given an emblem and citation. Fish must be registered at Johnny's Bait House on Route 219 at Deep Creek Lake.

Fishing on Deep Creek Lake. © L. Bell

End of Season—1999
39th Annual Fishing Contest Winners:

Bluegill—1 pound, 12 3/4 inches, caught by Steve Kiray, West Mifflin, PA

Brown Trout—2 pounds, 14 ounces,18 7/8 inches, caught by Cobenn Bolden, Oakland, MD

Chain Pickerel—3 pounds, 12 ounces, 27 inches, caught by Tracey Riley, Oakland, MD

Crappie—1 pound, 14 ounces, 14 5/8 inches, caught by Daniel Snyder, Bruceton Mills, WV

Largemouth Bass—6 pounds, 8 ounces, 22 1/4 inches, caught by Jack Rosenblatt, Bethesda, MD

Northern Pike—13 pounds, 8 ounces, 40 inches, caught by Sam Elbers, Baltimore, MD

Rainbow Trout— 4 pounds, 12 ounces, 23 1/2 inches, caught by Steve Dilley, Oakland, MD

Smallmouth Bass— 3 pounds, 12 oz., 20 inches, caught by Karl Hamrick, Mtn. Lake Park, MD

Yellow Perch—1 pound, 7 ounces, 14 1/2 inches, caught by Jack Pabich, Baltimore, MD

Walleye—10 pounds, 32 1/4 inches, caught by Matthew Hill, Brecksville, OH

Increasingly, ice fishing has become a favorite winter pastime on Deep Creek Lake and Savage River Reservoir. The best months are January and February. Yellow perch & walleye provide most of the action, although other species such as northern pike, trout, pickerel, crappie & bass are frequently caught. A list of regulations for ice fishing can also be found in the Sportfishing Guide. Please observe the following rules:

1. No vehicle except emergency vehicles shall be permitted on the ice of Deep Creek Lake at any time.
2. No swimming or diving shall be permitted in any area of Deep Creek Lake where waters are covered by ice.
3. Fishermen should exercise caution at times when ice conditions are unsafe due to weather conditions or lake level fluctuations.

Freshwater Fishing License Fees

Resident	$10.00
Non Resident	20.00
Senior Resident (*Tidal & Fresh*)	5.00
Short Term (5 *consecutive days*)	7.00
Trout Stamp	5.00

	Min. Size	Daily Limit
Bass (*closed season 3/1-6/15 except Jennings Randolph*)	12"	5
Walleye (*closed season 3/1-4/15*)	15"	5
Chain Pickerel (Pike)	14"	5
Northern Pike	24"	2
Musky	36"	1
Yellow Perch	9"	5
Trout	None	2

White Perch, Crappie, Catfish, Blue Gills, & Sunfish have no minimum size and no limit. *continued on next page*

FLY-FISHING ACCESS—Garrett County, like the rest of the nation, is experiencing a tremendous resurgence of interest in the sport of fly-fishing. Because of our miles of pure, cold mountain rivers, streams & lakes, Garrett County has become one of the premier destination fisheries in the United States.

What makes us so attractive is not only the miles of fishing opportunity, but also the extraordinary diversity of fishing opportunities located within such a small geographical setting. Here are several suggested locations to try your skill. We have also listed several proven flies for each river. For more information and directions to all of Garrett County's fishing spots, call the DNR Regional Fisheries Office located on Kings Run Road - 301-334-8218.

Access to the North Branch tail water is through the small town of Elk Garden, West Virginia located south of Kitzmiller, MD and down into the river valley town of Barnum. It is recommended that you consult a map before setting out since Maryland and West Virginia have a reciprocal agreement on the North Branch—a valid license from either state is recognized from both sides of the river.

For the accomplished fly fisherman, the Savage River's tail water's wild Brown and Brook trout offer the ultimate fly fishing challenge. Special regulations on the river offer a year round fishing opportunity.

The following represents some fly patterns which have a proven track record on the waters of Western Maryland. These recommendations are based on the combined experience of such venerable local anglers as Sull McCartney, Ken Pavol, Gary Yoder and professional area fishing guides.

Savage River trophy area: early season-April: blue quill (#16-18), Hendrickson's (#12) blue wing olive (#18) Midges (#20) fished down stream area often taken on the turn.

May/June: Caddis (#14-18), blue wing olive (#18-20) Late June-Sulphurs (#20), Midges. Summer: Caddis (#14-18), Midges, terrestrials (ants, hoppers, beetles). Nymphs: pheasant tails, bird's nest, various beadheads, hare's ear, small wooly buggers.

Youghiogheny: No-Kill Area. Same as Savage River but add big green drake by late May into early June. Caddis most important in late spring and summer hatch with caddis emerges (LaFontaine) very effective.

North Branch Potomac River: Blue wing olive beginning early and continuing into November. Caddis important throughout summer. Large stone fly nymphs (perlids size 8 or 10) important in North Branch Delayed Harvest Area.

Casselman River: Caddis most effective dry. Wooly buggers, yarn flies (egg patterns) and beadheads are effective.

GOLF—Garrett County features two public 18-hole championship golf courses. The Oakland Golf Club, which is open from April to October, offers a pro shop as well as a Club House with dining room and lounge. This course is 10 miles from Deep Creek Lake, approximately 1 mile from Oakland on the Oakland-Sang Run Road. The annual Western Maryland Men's Amateur Golf Championships are held here each year in eary August.

The Golf Club at Wisp is located at the Wisp Resort in McHenry. The 18-hole golf course is recognized as one of the best in Maryland and has been named in *Golf Digest Magazine* as one of America's top 500 places to play. The golf shop is located in the lower level of the McHenry House, and a variety of restaurants are available on premise. The Club also boasts a driving range complete with practice green and sand trap and is also lighted for night use.

Both golf courses also feature rental equipment and lessons. See the display advertisements in this guidebook for further information.

HIKING—Garrett County has a hiking trail for outdoor enthusiasts of every age and hiking ability. Whether you prefer a stroll along the waterfront to watch the sunset at Deep Creek Lake, enjoy a climb up the mountain for an aerial view at the Wisp Resort, or seek the solitude of a more challenging trail deep inside the State Forests and Parks.

In addition every season has its own rewards. Spring brings high water in the streams and rivers making it the perfect time to visit Swallow Falls State Park. The highest free falling waterfall in Maryland can be found there along with three others. Summer surrounds you with the greenery of ferns and leaves of the oaks and maples. Many of the mountain trails are covered with the blooms of millions of mountain laurel and rhododendron during June and July. In the fall trails are sprinkled with colors of orange, yellow and red. Any trail is a good choice for this ideal time of year.

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Complete golf services from practice ranges to lessons are available at both Garrett County 18-hole golf courses.

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Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area is one of several watchable wildlife and public hunting areas in Garrett County.

Backpacking is permitted in Savage River, Potomac and Garrett State Forests. Note that permit is required for overnight camping. Contact the State Forest offices for information. (see page 34 & 35)

Maps are available at the local state parks and the Garrett County Visitors Center. Many hiking and other trail guides are also available from High Mountain Sports (See ad on page 131).

HORSEBACK RIDING—One of the most relaxing ways to get away from it all and enjoy the area's spectacular scenery is on horseback. Small Oaks Riding Stables near Oakland, Sunny Slopes Riding Stables near Deer Park, and Broken Bar Stables near Swanton, and Western Trails Riding Stables near Deep Creek Lake offer year-round guided trail rides by the hour or half-hour, with package rides available for both beginning and expert riders. Sleigh/Hay rides, overnight camping and group rides are also available at some stables. See the display advertisements in this guidebook for further information.

HUNTING—Garrett County has been recognized as an exceptional hunting destination for two centuries. Areas open to the public include Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area, Deep Creek Lake State Park, Garrett State Forest, Potomac State Forest and the Savage River State Forest. These combine to make a total of over 90,000 acres of public hunting land maintained by the State. Deer hunting, with harvests of over 2000 each year, has always been popular. Garrett County also offers a fall and spring turkey season as well as a fall small game season. Rabbits, grouse & squirrels abound in the area. Hunters must purchase a valid hunting license from a MD DNR licensing agent. Wings of Challenge Hunting Retreat near Accident offers pheasant and deer bow hunting, and local sporting goods stores provide licenses and supplies (see advertisements in this guidebook). It is the licensee's responsibility to follow State hunting rules and regulations. People are encouraged to report a Natural Resource poaching violation to 1-800-635-6124, Catch-A-Poacher Hotline. All other violations land or water, should be reported to Natural Resources Police at (1-301-777-7771).

Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources
Wildlife & Heritage Division
Proposed 2000-2001 Hunting Season*

Deer Management Region A
to include Garrett County

Whitetail Deer Hunting

Bow — Sept. 15 - Oct. 18; Oct. 23 - Nov. 24; Dec. 11-15; Jan. 1-31, 2001.
Muzzleloader — Oct. 19, 20, 21; Dec. 16 - 30.
Firearm — Nov. 25 - Dec. 9.

Wild Turkey

Fall 2000 — Oct.28 - Nov. 4
Spring 2001 — Apr. 18 - Mar. 16

Hunting License Fees .....
Resident Junior (*Consolidated*) .. $ 15.50

Resident (*Consolidated*) 24.50

Non Resident
(*3 day waterfowl & small game*) 35.00

Non Resident Basic 120.50

**Call for confirmed season dates – Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources, Wildlife and Heritage Division 301-777-2136.*

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Snowboarding at the Wisp.

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MINIATURE GOLF—There are three miniature golf courses open seasonally at Deep Creek Lake. A&D Dairy Delite, Funland, and FunZone's Frontier Adventure Golf. For more information, see the display advertisements in this guidebook.

NIGHTLIFE—Party in Garrett County with live music and DJs. For an entertainment schedule, pick up the LakeFront Magazine at the Garrett County Visitors Center near Deep Creek Lake or at local businesses.

PICNICKING—On a mountaintop, under a sprawling maple tree, by a fast moving brook, or in quiet seclusion, picnic opportunities are numerous in Garrett County. All state parks and recreation areas have picnic areas. Several state roadside park locations are to be found in the area: Route 40, three miles west of Grantsville; Route 219, four miles south of Keysers Ridge overlooking the Cove and Route 219, 3.3 miles north of Oakland. Maryland's State Forests and Parks are now "Trash Free." Trashcans have been removed from the day use areas to improve the appearance of the park and to ensure a more enjoyable experience for you. Free trash bags are distributed and visitors are asked to take their trash with them and encouraged to recycle.

SCUBA DIVING—Deep Creek Lake covered a lot of history when it began to fill 75 years ago! Scuba Divers can explore a vehicle with wooden spoke wheels near Red Run Cove, foundations of farms, an Indian hunting camp that lies quietly near Glendale Bridge and much more. Imagine natural springs bubbling from the bottom as you move weightlessly through them. Jennings Randolph and Youghiogheny River Lake and nearby Mt. Storm Lake offer good visibility and varying temperatures. This is altitude diving at it's finest. Garrett County invites you to discover and explore its underwater world. Breathe Deep Scuba offers air fills and a full line of equipment sales & rentals, diver education, and search & salvage operations.

SNOWBOARDING—Snowboarding rules at Wisp Resort! Snowboard technique resembles surfing more than skiing. Snowboarders at Wisp use the same lifts and trails as the Alpine skiers and follow the same rules of the slopes. Additionally, Wisp offers a halfpipe and terrain park for snowboarders. The halfpipe is 400' long and 30' wide with high-banked walls. Snowboarders maneuver in the halfpipe much like a skateboarder. Competitions in both halfpipe and slalom are staged at Wisp throughout the season. Wisp also offers Snowboard rentals and lessons.

SNOWMOBILING—This exciting sport offers thrills for both young and old. Snowmobiling is permitted in the State Forests on marked trails. Maps of existing snowmobile trails and general information are available from the State Forest offices or the Chamber office. Snowmobiling is permitted on private lands only with written permission from the landowner. You may not ride a snowmobile on or adjacent to public highways except to cross at a 90-degree angle. You may not cross a limited access

highway. Snowmobile permits are required to utilize trails in any Maryland State Park. Usage is permitted between December 15 and March 15. Permits are $15.00 for the 4-month period and are only available at some State Park Offices. Additional information regarding Snowmobiling laws may be obtained from the Maryland State Police at (301) 387-1101.

SWIMMING—Thick, forested mountains rising out of clear, shiny water—a long stroke and a bubbling kick—swimming in Garrett County is a remarkable experience. Although the 7 lakes offer a variety of water sports, swimming is the most common. There are sandy, lifeguarded beaches at Deep Creek Lake, Herrington Manor, and New Germany State Parks, Broadford Lake Park, Jennings Randolph and the Youghiogheny Dam Lake. All have picnicking facilities and bathhouses, many offer boat rentals. Details are in the park descriptions on pages 35 &36. If you perfer an indoor setting, there are also heated swimming pools in the area. Information is available at the Visitors Center or by telephoning 301-387-4386.

TENNIS—The ever-popular sport of tennis offers fun and challenge, and there are several courts throughout the county open to the public. The Western Maryland Tennis Championships, the oldest tennis event in MD, are held the first weekend of August at the Mt. Lake Park Tennis Club on clay courts.

Grantsville Town Park—Located at Exit 19 off Interstate 68; four asphalt courts are open during daylight hours; no fee.

Mountain Lake Park Tennis Club—Located off Route 135 in Mt. Lake Park. Four clay courts are open during daylight hours; fee.

Northern Middle School—Located behind Northern High School off Route 219 in Accident. Two courts available when school isn't in session; daylight hours.

Southern Middle School—Located off Broadford Road, Oakland. Courts open when school isn't in session; daylight hours.

Wisp Resort—Located on Marsh Hill Road, McHenry. Two new tennis courts open to the public for a fee; 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. For information, call (301) 387-5581.

THEATERS—Garrett 8 Cinemas is showing today's movies with tomorrow's technology. Located across from Uno Restaurant, Garrett 8 is one of a handful of theaters in the nation to have a massive screen in the lobby running continuous movie previews. The eight theaters vary in size and focus on the comfort of the viewer with such details as love seats, wider spaces between rows and aids for the hearing challenged. Four of the cinemas feature digital surround sound for a more intense viewing experience. For movie schedule information, call (301) 387-2500.

WHITEWATER BOATING—A deep gorge cut into the green canopy by the fast moving water, a bend in the river and the sound of thunder increases. Your raft is lifted and hurled through the tight pass—WHITEWATER! The Youghiogheny Scenic and Wild River or the "Upper Yough" is one of the most challenging and exciting whitewater rivers in the eastern United States with approximately 20 Class IV and V rapids. It provides the experienced paddler with a rewarding whitewater adventure. Outfitters run thousands of whitewater enthusiasts down the steep narrow gorge each year. For questions concerning regulations and water releases on the Youghiogheny River, call Youghiogheny River Management at (301) 387-4111. Recently commercial Outfitters have designated several of our county rivers as Class I, II, III family style paddling experiences. For information on commercial outfitters, see the display advertisements in this guide.

Photo courtesy of USA Raft

Whitewater boating in Garrett County.

Garrett County Forests, Parks & Lakes

CAMPING IN MARYLAND STATE PARKS

Individual parks vary in times of operation, service charges, etc. It is recommended that you call the specific State Park for further information. Please refer to the chart on the following page. Campers are not permitted to enter the camping area after 10 p.m. Several State Park campgrounds accept pets, call for information. Swallow Falls now has 5 "equipped sites" (tent, stove, lantern, propane provided).

TRAILERS

Camping trailers up to 29 feet in length are permitted. Electric hookups are available at various state parks. House trailers are not permitted.

IMPROVED CAMPGROUNDS

Each campsite allows sufficient room to park one car and a camping trailer, or to park one car and erect a tent up to 16'. (Sometimes off-site parking is necessary). A picnic table and grill are provided at each site, and drinking fountains and water spigots are located nearby. Camping areas contain centrally located washhouses, equipped with toilets, lavatories and showers with hot water available. Laundry tubs are available in some parks during the summer. Deep Creek and Swallow Falls State Parks will accept specific site reservations up to one year in advance.

UNIMPROVED CAMPGROUNDS

These sites also allow ample room for the parking of one car and a camping trailer, or the erection of a tent; however, in some areas off-site parking may be necessary. Tables and fireplaces are available and a source of water and a comfort station are within walking distance. Comfort stations are equipped with toilets only.

CABINS

Cabins may be reserved for one week intervals from Memorial Day through Labor Day and for two night minimum stays for all other months of the year.

Prospective cabin renters may directly call the park to make those reservations. Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Reservations may be made up to nine (9) months in advance of the desired date. Some cabins are handicapped accessible.

Reservations must be accompanied by a non-refundable deposit.

When making reservations, the person must provide names, addresses, number of people and telephone numbers for each of the reservations made. For reservations, call the statewide reservation number: 1-888-432-CAMP.

CAMPING IN MARYLAND STATE FORESTS

Maryland State Forests have primitive campsites without man-made improvements. Potomac/ Garrett State Forest offers pine shelters at a $10 fee. Campers may self-register at various sites throughout the area at a $5 fee. Pets are permitted in Maryland State Forests.

Season: Open all year; unlimited camping hours, quiet time 11 p.m.

Camping at Deep Creek Lake State Park.

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GARRETT STATE FOREST— Mountain forests, streams and valleys make up the 7,400 acres in Garrett State Forest. In 1906 the Garrett brothers of the B&O Railroad fame gave the State of Maryland 2,000 acres of forest land providing that a state forestry department be established to manage the area. The donated area was originally named Swallow Falls State Forest. The name was changed in 1976 to Garrett State Forest in honor of the donors. Pets are invited to accompany responsible owners. For information, call (301) 334-2038.

POTOMAC STATE FOREST— This forest contains 12,400 acres of trees, streams and wildlife. It is located along Backbone Mountain near the headwaters of the historic Potomac River. The terrain is rugged with elevations ranging from 1,800 feet along the Potomac to 2,960 feet on Backbone Mountain. This steep gradient gives rise to numerous fast falling brooks and streams which feed the river. Several of the larger streams are Schell, Laurel, Lostland Run and Crabtree Creek. The possibilities for recreation in the forest are for the most part of a primitive nature. It offers scenic vistas, camping, hunting, fishing, biking and nature appreciation. Various activities are offered throughout the year. Feel free to bring your pet. For information, call (301) 334-2038.

SAVAGE RIVER STATE FOREST—This is the largest of Maryland's State Forests and contains over 53,000 acres of forestland, streams and wildlife habitat for your enjoyment. This forest is located in Garrett County and forms part of the Appalachian Plateau. Within the Savage River Forest are two State Parks—New Germany and Big Run. These are developed recreational areas offering housekeeping cabins, picnicking, improved campsites and other facilities. Also within the forest is the 360-acre Savage River Reservoir. The forest offers camping, hiking, sightseeing, fishing, hunting, biking & winter sports. Pets are a welcome addition. For information, call (301) 895-5759.

PARK WATCH

Maryland State Forest and Park Service has implemented a PARK WATCH Program. The objective is to encourage park visitors and neighbors to take a more active role in protecting personal property and preserving the park. If you observe any suspicious activity, vandalism or safety hazards, you are asked to report them to the PARK WATCH Hotline 1-800-825-PARK.

BIG RUN STATE PARK— 301-895-5453. With 300 acres in Garrett County, Big Run State Park offers rustic camping opportunities with 30 unimproved campsites and a youth group camping area. Situated at the mouth of the Savage River Reservoir, the park is 16 miles from exit 24 of Interstate 68. The park is actually surrounded by the acreage of Savage River State Forest and so visitors to the area have an even wider array of recreational opportunities with the facilities at all of these public land sites in Western Maryland. With a boat launch, Big Run is a popular base camp for outdoor-lovers intent on fishing, camping, hiking or hunting. Pets are permitted at campsites. Big Run is the trailhead for a 6-mile hiking trail, known as Monroe Run. There is a rental picnic pavilion, which can accommodate 100 people available by reservation.

CASSELMAN RIVER BRIDGE STATE PARK—301-895-5453. (4 acres. In Garrett County, east of Grantsville on U.S. Route 40.) The beautiful, 80-foot stone arch bridge was part of the old National Road. When constructed in 1813, it was the largest of its kind in the world.

DEEP CREEK LAKE STATE PARK—301-387-5563. 898 State Park Road, Swanton, MD, 21561. (1,818 acres. In Garrett County, 10 miles northeast of Oakland, on the east side of Deep Creek Lake, off U.S. Route 219.) Deep Creek Lake

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	BOATS						CAMPING										Cabins			Concessions		Interpretive				TRAILS				GENERAL						Attractions			
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STATE PARK	Launching	Sail Boats	Canoes	Paddle Boats	Row Boats	Boat Slips	Improved	Unimproved	Drinking Water	Reservation	Winterized	Maximum Sites	RV Sites	Play Area	Firerings/grill	Tables	Reservations	Furnished	Year-round	Snackbar	Vending	Camp Store	Interpretive Center	Naturalist	Campfire Program	Guided Walks	Hiking	Cross-Country Ski	Horseback	Nature	Snowmobile	Picnicking	Shelters	Swimming	Fishing	Hunting	Winter Activities	Historic	Scenic	Water	Directions
BIG RUN—New Germany State Park, 349 Headquarters Ln. Grantsville, MD 21536, (301) 895-5453 / (301) 746-8359	•							•	•		•	30			•	•								•	•		•		•			•	•		•	•		•	•	•	14 miles south of Grantsville
CASSELMAN— Bridge State Park, 349 Headquarters Ln. Grantsville, MD 21536, (301) 895-5453 / (301) 746-8359									•															•								•			•			•	•	•	1/4 mile east of Grantsville adjacent to Rt. 40
DEEP CREEK LAKE— 898 State Park Rd. Swanton, MD 21561 (301) 387-5563	•				•	•	•		•	•		112	2	•	•	•						•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	3 miles south of McHenry, on the Lake
HERRINGTON MANOR— 222 Herrington Ln. Oakland, MD 21550 (301) 334-9180	•		•	•	•									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	5 miles northwest of Oakland on County Rt. 20
NEW GERMANY—349 Headquarters Ln. Grantsville, MD 21536 (301) 895-5453 or (301) 746-8359	•		•	•	•		•		•	•		39		•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	6 miles south of Rt. 40, off Rts. 40 & 219, Grantsville
SWALLOW FALLS—222 Herrington Ln. Oakland, MD 21550, (301) 334-9180							•		•	•		65	1	•	•	•					•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•	•	9 miles northwest of Oakland, on Swallow Falls Rd.
YOUGHIOGHENY SCENIC & WILD RIVER—898 State Park Road Swanton, MD 21561, (301) 387-5563																																			•				•	•	Between Miller's Run & town limits of Friendsville

Enjoying the scenery at Swallow Falls State Park. © K. Haines

State Park fronts on a 6 square mile, man-made lake. Water sports of all kinds are popular, and in the winter the park offers 6 miles of snowmobile trails. Deep Creek Lake is Western Maryland's premier destination resort. Pets are invited to join their responsible owners at their designated campsites and on the trails. The Park offers camping, swimming, picnicking, boat launching, interpretive programs, hiking, and a variety of recreational opportunities in the resort area.

HERRINGTON MANOR STATE PARK—301-334-9180. (365 acres. In Garrett County, 5 miles northwest of Oakland, on County Route 20.) Located in the middle of Garrett State Forest, Herrington Manor State Park features a 53-acre lake and many wooded trails. In the winter months, the park offers cross-country ski trails along with ski rentals. 20 log cabins are available to rent.

MT. NEBO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA—301-334-4255 Nestled in the mountains of Garrett County, this 2,000-acre tract of land protects one of the most unique wetlands in Maryland, a red spruce bog. Bogs are more typically found in northern states and Canada, but the mountain's elevation here makes ideal conditions for this special wetland. Beaver ponds, alder thickets and sedge meadows along with 1,500 acres of forest and 40 acres of fields make Mt. Nebo a prime destination for outdoor sportsmen and nature lovers.

NEW GERMANY STATE PARK—301 895-5453. (455 acres. In Garrett County, 5 miles south of Grantsville on New Germany Road, off U.S. I 68) New Germany State Park is built on the site of a once-prosperous milling center in Savage River State Forest, and features a 13-acre lake and 11 rental cabins. Trails for hiking in summer and cross-country skiing in winter lead through typical Western Maryland forest lands.

SWALLOW FALLS STATE PARK— 301 334-9180. (257 acres. In Garrett County, 9 miles northwest of Oakland on Swallow Falls Road). This mountainous park contains some of Maryland's most breath-taking scenery. The Youghiogheny River flows along the park's borders, passing through shaded rocky gorges and creating rippling rapids. Muddy Creek Falls is a crashing 63-foot waterfall — a spectacular sight. Tall hemlocks dominate the silent woods. Your pet is welcome at a designated campsite during the off season, please contact the park for specific information.

YOUGHIOHENY SCENIC & WILD RIVER—301 387-5563. The Youghiogheny River between Miller's Run and Friendsville, MD was designated as Maryland's first wild river. The goal of the state of Maryland is to provide for the cooperative management, preservation, and protection of the Youghiogheny River and it's outstanding scenic, geologic, historic, ecological, recreational, agricultural, fish, wildlife and cultural values. Approximately 2,500 acres of public lands are managed. Whitewater boating, trout fishing, hunting, & hiking are the dominant uses of the park.

For more detailed information about individual parks or forests, visit the website at: http:/www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands

Lakes

Federal

Jennings Randolph Lake—Corps of Engineers Office 304-355-2346. Jennings Randolph Lake was authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1962 and the $175 million project was completed in 1982. The full recreation lake, hosts boating (speed, personal watercraft, fishing, sail and rowing), fishing, water-skiing, scuba diving and many other activities. It is 5.5 miles long, has a 13.6 mile shoreline and covers 952 acres. The recreation area surrounding Jennings Randolph covers 4,500 acres. It offers a Visitor Center, picnic sites, pavilions, playgrounds, camping facility, interpretive trail, horseshoe pits & basketball court. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources has a new boat launch which is accessible from Rt. 135 and Mt. Zion Rd. Call 301-334-9180 for information.

Youghiogheny River Lake—Corps of Engineers Office 814-395-3166. In the heart of the Laurel Highlands and spanning the Mason-Dixon Line lies Youghiogheny River Lake. Experience the clean waters and mountains, which provide an unsurpassed setting for outdoor recreation. The lake is 16 miles long and covers 2,840 acres. Visitors can camp, fish, motorboat, Jet Ski, sail, picnic and many other activities. Mill Run Access Area offers a Visitor Center, camping, boat launch, swimming facility and more. Call 301-746-5248 for more information.

State

Deep Creek Lake—Visitors Center 301-387-4386. Recreational options abound at Deep Creek Lake, Maryland's largest freshwater lake, boating, swimming, fishing and sailing. Wisp, Maryland's only alpine ski resort, is on the shores of Deep Creek Lake and offers year-round resort and conference facilities, including an 18-hole championship golf course, as well as 23 trails (over 80 acres) for skiers of all abilities. Nearly every type of boat from sailboat, personal watercraft (PWC) to speedster can be seen on Deep Creek Lake. Local marinas have boats available for rental. Prices vary according to the size of the boat. Sailing on the lake is exceptional with races held every weekend during the season. There are lake-front cabins for rent with docks. Bring your boat and use it as the mode of travel. You can grocery shop, dine at several restaurants, visit the night spots, see a movie, get fishing bait or boating supplies all from your boat.

Herrington Manor Lake—301-334-9180. 53 acres of water with a picnic area, snack bar, sandy lifeguarded beach and paddle boats, rowboats, canoes and kayaks available to rent. The dam was constructed in the 1930's by the Civilian Conservation Corp during the Great Depression. It is stocked with trout, bass, crappie and catfish. All non-gasoline motor watercrafts are invited to use the facility.

New Germany Lake—301-895-5453. This small lake is nestled in the tranquil beauty of New Germany State Park. It features a sandy, lifeguarded beach with rowboat, paddle-boat and surfbike rentals. It is stocked with sport fish and is the center of activity in the park. Located just minutes from I-68, this lake is a favorite of campers.

Savage River Reservoir—301-895-5759. Majestic mountains rise out of this crystal clear water. You are invited to launch your own canoe, kayak or non-gasoline powered craft to enjoy some of the best sport fishing in the county. Game fish include Trout, Bass, Crappie, Walleye, Perch and Catfish. A catch and release Fly-Fishing area boasting 6 & 7 pound Brown and Rainbow Trout. Give this rugged environment a try, it is sure to please.

Municipal

Broadford Lake Park—301-334-9222. One of Oakland's municipal parks. It is located in the southern end of the county, 1 mile from Oakland. Canoes, sailboards, rowers and electric trolling crafts are invited to navigate the 140 acres of beautiful flatwater. Pets welcome in a designated area. The lake is regularly stocked with trout, crappie, bass and catfish. Amenities include a boat launch and docks, picnic areas, sandy swimming beach and lakehouse. The gates are locked during the winter months but access is permitted following the posted guidelines.

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Lifeguard beach area of New Germany Lake at New Germany State Park.

Attractions

BACKBONE MOUNTAIN— At an elevation of 3,360 feet, "Hoye Crest" on Backbone Mountain is the highest point in the State of Maryland. This high point was named for Capt. Charles Hoye, prominent historian and founder of the Garrett County Historical Society.

Backbone Mountain is actually a long mountain in the Allegheny range which begins in the Savage River area and runs southwest into West Virginia. The highest point in Maryland is located in the southern part of Garrett County about 500 feet from the Maryland-West Virginia boundary line.

Backbone Mountain is also the "Eastern Continental Divide." The east side of the mountain drains into the Atlantic Ocean via the Potomac River. The west slope drains into the Gulf of Mexico via the Youghiogheny river, which ultimately feeds water into the Mississippi River.

Hoye Crest is so near the State Line that the best access to it is from the West Virginia side of the line through Monongahela National Forest. An excellent hiking trail about one mile long begins on the east side of U.S. 219 3/8 mile beyond Silver Lake, WV (5 miles south of Route 219 and Route 50 intersection at Red House, Maryland.)

Deep Creek Lake Discovery Center — an environmental, educational center for children and adults. © K. Haines

The hiking trail has been cut out from an old lumber road by "High Pointers", volunteers under the direction of Gene and Lillian Elliott of Silver Spring, MD. They put a mail box on the steel pole that supports the historical marker at Hoye Crest. Inside the box are small certificates to prove that the hiker undertook the climb up the mountain trail and successfully reached the highest point in Maryland.

Maps showing where the trail begins on Route 219 can be obtained from the Garrett County Visitors Center at Deep Creek Lake, or by calling the Chamber of Commerce at (301) 387-4FUN, E-Mail: info@garrettchamber.com

BEAR CREEK FISH REARING STATION—The history of Garrett County is closely associated with its excellent trout fishing. Since the early 19th Century, sportsmen have come to the area for trout. Many records of phenomenal catches still exist. At the Bear Creek Fish Rearing Station on the Bear Creek Road near Friendsville, visitors can see the future catches in all stages of growth, from fingerlings up to 14-inch prizes. The pools are located in a green glade with large trees.

BROADFORD RECREATION AREA—A delightful park outside Oakland in Mt. Lake Park off Pittsburgh Avenue, this area boasts a 138-acre lake with 700 feet of beach. There is a bathhouse, concession building, boat ramp for rowboats, and extensive picnic grounds. The emphasis is on swimming, picnicking and fishing.

Owned and operated by the town of Oakland, a nominal admission fee is charged and planned activities and events are held each weekend throughout the season.

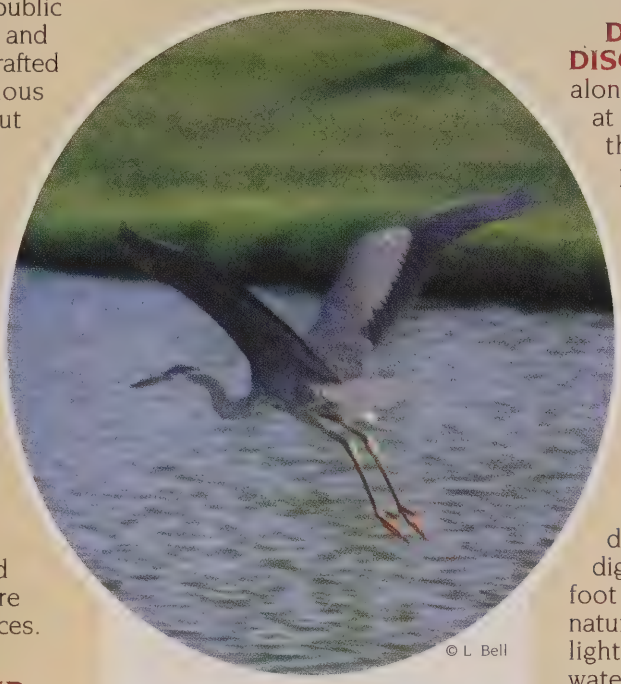
THE COVE—Traveling on Route 219, you can see a panoramic view of one of the finest farming districts in the area. At a 2,800-foot elevation on the highway, the cove appears to be a huge amphitheater, surrounded on all sides by mountain ranges. Farms are laid out in soil-conserving contour strips. During the spring, summer and fall, an artist's painting

could not be more picturesque. If traveling south from Interstate 68 on Route 219, the Cove scenic over-look is located on the right just a few miles north of Accident. The view is highly recommended.

CRAFTS—Garrett County offers an abundance of original crafts and handcrafted items with many places serving as outlets to countless area craftsmen. All are open to the public and you are encouraged to visit and see examples of original handcrafted items. Demonstrations of various crafts are scheduled throughout the year at the Spruce Forest Artisan Village near Penn Alps in Grantsville, where examples of weaving, woodworking, wood carving, basketmaking, quilting, stained glass making, soap making, teddy bears, herbs, pottery, casting and forging, as well as many other crafts, are demonstrated. Two big craft shows are held during the annual Autumn Glory Festival in mid-October and numerous other events offer an array of handmade crafts on display and for sale. Local craft outlets are listed in the Directory of Services.

THE CRANESVILLE SUB-ARCTIC SWAMP—One of nature's natural phenomena, the swamp covers over 850 acres of land which sprawls across the boundaries of Maryland and West Virginia. Formed during the Ice Age, this remnant of boreal forest produces growth normally found only in arctic regions and offers geologists, biologists and nature buffs the opportunity to observe many rare species of flora and fauna. The swamp is a true bog and during the wet seasons, traveling to the interior is nearly impossible. Visitors may view the perimeter of the swamp from public roads. A boardwalk has been constructed for easy visitor access. To preserve the fragile ecology of the swamp, visitors are requested to remain on the boardwalk or designated paths and removal of plants and animals is prohibited.

To reach the swamp from Oakland, follow Liberty Street out of town past the Oakland Railroad Station; this becomes the Herrington Manor Road. Go approximately 6 miles and turn left on the Cranesville Road; go 4 miles and just past Bell Ringer Originals In Wood, turn left on the Lake Ford Road at a sign marked "Cranesville Swamp Nature Preserve;" after traveling on this road approximately 2/10 mile, bear right at the fork onto another dirt road; in another 2/10 mile, turn right onto the dirt driveway and follow the driveway past the Preserve entrance sign and turn right into the parking area. To reach the boardwalk, walk past the entrance sign and follow the marked trail under the electric power lines. The swamp is now owned by The Nature Conservancy of Maryland and West Virginia, 2 Wisconsin Circle, Chevy Chase, MD 20815 or P.O. Box 3754 Charleston, WV.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Wildlife abounds in Garrett County, as evidenced by this Great Blue Heron.

DEEP CREEK LAKE—Vacationers will find Deep Creek Lake the center of Garrett County's recreational attractions—the most ideal spot for a summer or winter vacation. The largest freshwater lake in Maryland, it is 12 miles in length with a shoreline of 65 miles covering nearly 3,900 acres.

A wide variety of activities abound, including boating, water-skiing, fishing, swimming, hiking, picnicking, sailing, downhill and cross-country skiing and snow-mobiling.

Guests will find a number of campgrounds in the area. Motels, bed and breakfasts, cottages and condominiums also dot the shoreline, providing excellent accommodations. Many provide dock facilities, sandy beaches and swimming areas. Deep Creek Lake and the surrounding area also boast some of the finest dining establishments in the State.

DEEP CREEK LAKE DISCOVERY CENTER—Nestled along the shores of Deep Creek Lake at Deep Creek Lake State Park is the Discovery Center, an interpretive, environmental center, that is a one- of-a-kind educational venue for children as well as adults. Through hands-on exhibits that showcase the natural resources of Western Maryland, families can learn about the flora and fauna, wildlife, cultural and historical heritage that have turned this former coal mining town into a popular modern day vacation destination. Through colorful digital images, this 6,000 square foot facility features numerous natural resources exhibits highlighting Deep Creek Lake and its watershed, industrial development in the area, and conservation issues facing the region today. History buffs will enjoy learning about the cultural and historical heritage of the region, including coal extraction from the former Brant Mine, and the role the mighty Youghiogheny River played in timber logging at the turn of the century. The staff strives to carry out the theme, "*Bringing Natural Resources and People Together.*" For additional info, (301) 387-7067 or email: dclsp@mail2.gcnet.net.

GARRETT COMMUNITY COLLEGE—The two-year college offers transfer programs in fine and performing arts, liberal arts, math-science, social and behavioral sciences, wildlife/fisheries, business administration, teacher education and general studies.

Career programs are offered in business management, natural resources and wildlife technology, office technology and adventure sports. Students graduating with an AA degree in adventure sports

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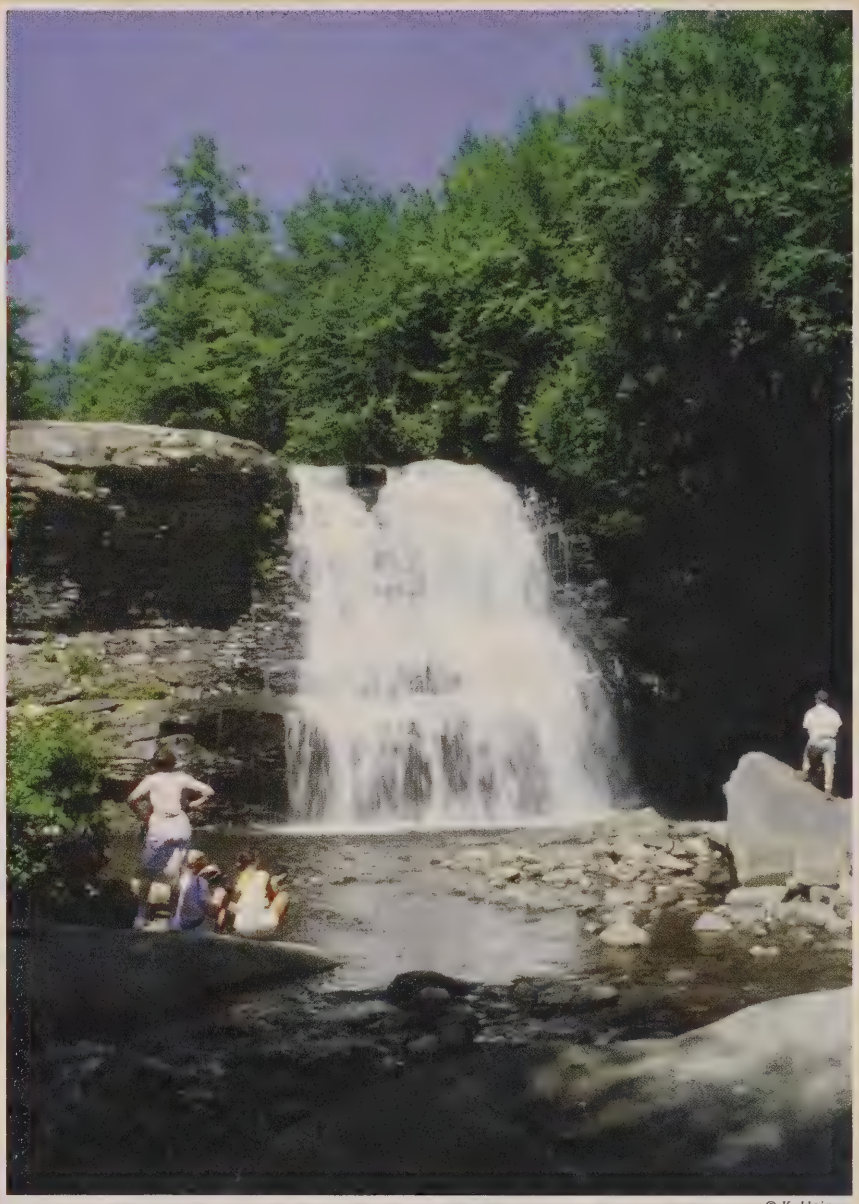

Muddy Creek Falls in Swallow Falls State Park. © K. Haines

may transfer to Frostburg State University for a B.S. in recreation with an emphasis in adventure sports. For information, call (301) 387-3000.

GARRETT COUNTY VISITORS CENTER—The new Garrett County Visitors Center is located at Deep Creek Lake on Route 219 near the intersection of Sang Run Road. This new Center for tourism and hospitality offers a beautiful view of Deep Creek Lake and the ski slopes at Wisp Resort. The facility is open to assist visitors seven days a week year round. Informational displays and friendly hosts can help you make the most of your stay in our beautiful county. Your one stop location can help you with accommodations, restaurants, recreational activities and much, much more. Also at the center are the administrative offices of the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. Want to live where you play? We can help. Call us for up-to-the-minute information on accommodations, ski and weather reports at (301) 387-4FUN (4386).

JENNINGS RANDOLPH LAKE—Located southwest of Bloomington, Maryland, the dam is the third largest of its type east of the Mississippi River. Construction was completed in 1981. The lake is located in Garrett County, Maryland, and Mineral County, West Virginia, and the dam is built across the North Branch of the Potomac River eight miles upstream from Bloomington. Maryland and West Virginia have a joint law-enforcement compact between both state's Natural Resources Agencies.

The lake is designed to provide water quality and flood control, water supply and recreation. The full recreation lake has a surface area of 952 acres, a shoreline of 13.6 miles, and extends upstream from the dam for 5 1/2 miles. Several recreation areas have been developed on the south side of the lake, including campsites, picnic tables and boat ramps. Access to the two Maryland overlooks is from Route 135 along Chestnut Grove or Walnut Bottom Roads. The West Virginia overlook and observation tower, site of the "Waffle Rock," a unique geological feature with a pattern created over 300 million years ago, is accessible from W.Va. Route 46. The boat ramp on the Maryland side is accessible from Mt. Zion Road off Route 135 and the launch fee is $2.00. For information on day use fees, call the Reservoir Manager, P. O. Box 247, Elk Garden, WV 26717, (304) 355-2346.

MAPLE SUGAR—Sugaring is older than the history of our nation. Indians tapped the trees long before the white man arrived. The art of sugaring is still practiced in Garrett County, basically unchanged from Indian days. Although one may see tractors instead of horses, the production techniques are much the same. In spite of the fact that a maple must be 40 years old before it can be tapped, many groves still exist in Garrett County. One of the most beautiful is Brenneman's Grove, located near Bittinger. Sugaring takes place in the late winter or early spring and authentic Garrett County maple products are available from several stores in the area.

MUDDY CREEK FALLS—Muddy Creek Falls is in the Swallow Falls State Park within the Garrett State Forest. At 63 feet, it is the highest waterfall in the State of Maryland, and an area of scenic perfection. Framed by tall steep slopes covered with giant hemlock, it is an area of noble primitiveness.

The land beside the falls is the site of the 1918 camp of pioneer motor tourists Henry Ford, Thomas Edison and Harvey Firestone. These three titans of American industry, who had the world to pick from, chose to come to this site when they wanted to enjoy themselves. The site of the camp has been marked. The trio returned in 1921.

Situated in a cool, towering forest, the area has complete facilities for camping and picnicking. This 63-foot cataract is highly recommended to the nature lover and camera buff.

MURLEY'S GLADE WALK—There are over 100 miles of hiking trails in Garrett County. A short one that combines history and primitive beauty is in Murley's Glade of the Snaggy Mountain Recreation area near Herrington Manor State Park. The service road into the area passes through a marsh that has remained almost unchanged for hundreds of years. Wildlife abounds here; there are all kinds of animals and birds.

On the Snaggy Mountain Road, two miles from where it intersects with Cranesville Road, there is a parking spot on the right near a sign for the Bicentennial Tree. A short distance over the hill behind the sign, the trail comes to an old road in a primitive woods; many of the oak trees here are over 200 years old.

The old road follows the route of the ancient Indian War Path combined with McCullough's Pack Horse Trail. During early Colonial days, this path was a route from Virginia to the Ohio River country. George Washington was among famous persons who traveled over this path. On the night of September 25, 1784, he and his nephew, Bushrod, were traveling south through Murley's Glade and got caught in a rainstorm. It became so wet they couldn't even light a campfire, and had to spend a cold, wet night in the woods.

Naturally, Washington wrote a few terse words in his diary about Murley's Glade, but the seasoned hiker will recognize this as a place of history and primitive beauty.

OAKLAND OVERLOOK—A classic view of Garrett County's seat of government is available by walking the 2/10th of a mile path to the overlook just off Route 39, west of town. Visitors are urged to park at the Lighthouse Office building on Rt. 39 and carefully cross the road to get to the overlook. The view provides a great chance to see the historic courthouse, some of the community's grand old churches and a unique view of the 1884 train station.

PENN ALPS—Penn Alps is an organization dedicated to serving residents of the Allegheny Mountains, with Garrett County lying in the heart of the area served. It operates the largest handicraft marketing facility in this mountain region, in conjunction with a restaurant containing five dining rooms. The Alpine Room, which was added in 1969, is graced by a huge fireplace of stone dressed in 1818, exposed beams and bay windows green with plant life. An upstairs dining-conference room was restored in 1988 to its original 1818 log structure. It is also the home of the Spruce Forest's "Music at Penn Alps" Summer Concert Series.

Situated on U.S. 40, just east of Grantsville, Penn Alps is conveniently located for tourists and has ample parking facilities. Handicraft demonstrations are held at the adjacent Spruce Forest Artisan Village, which is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. year round.

SAILBOAT RACES—During the season, Memorial Day to Labor Day, races are held every Saturday and Sunday on the southern part of Deep Creek Lake, and may be viewed by spectators in boats in that area. Even if you are not a participant, the view of dozens of sailboats skimming the lake in competition, with multi-colored spinnakers flying is breathtaking. In addition to the weekly series, regattas are held for Flying Scot and Laser class sailboats at the local, district, and national levels. Garrett County is the home of Flying Scot, Inc., formerly the Gordon Douglass Boat Company, established by the late Gordon K. Douglass, one of America's foremost sailboat designers, who designed the Thistle, the Highlander, and the locally-built Flying Scot sailboats.

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Spruce Forest Artisan Village, located next to Penn Alps on Rt. 40 at Grantsville.

Garrett County History

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF GARRETT COUNTY—Garrett County was created in 1872, the last of all Maryland counties created. Moreover, unless the constitutional provision requiring an area of at least 400 square miles for each new county is amended, there will be no new counties formed in the future. "Laurel" was considered as a name for the county, but local sentiment was overwhelmingly in favor of Garrett, in honor of John W. Garrett, who was at that time president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

The method followed in the creation of Garrett County is unique in Maryland history. A permissive clause for the creation of a county in the area now included in the bounds of Garrett County was inserted in the Constitution of 1851 (Art. 8, Sec. 2). Nothing was done about the matter, however, until 1872 after two subsequent constitutions, 1864 and 1867, had provided that any new county must have an area of at least 400 square miles and a population of at least 10,000. Serious agitation for another Western Shore county began after the creation of Wicomico County on the Eastern Shore by the Constitutional Convention of 1867. By 1871, it was conceded that all constitutional requirements had been met, and the Assembly created Garrett County by Act of April 1, 1872 (Acts 1872, Ch. 212). The bounds were fixed by the act:

"That all that part of Allegany County lying south and west of a line beginning at the summit of the Big Backbone, or Savage Mountain, where the mountain is crossed by Mason and Dixon's line, and running thence by a straight line to the middle of Savage River, where it empties into the Potomac River; thence by a straight line to the nearest point or boundary of the State of West Virginia; then with the said boundary to the Fairfax Stone, shall be a new county, to be called the County of Garrett; provided the provisions of this Act as to taking the census of the people and the area of said new county, and the sense of the people therein, shall be complied with in accordance with the constitution of this state."

These boundaries consist of three straight lines on the west, north, and east and the Potomac River on the south. The southern boundary of the county lies on the right bank of the North Branch of the Potomac, whose waters are accordingly within the limits of Garrett County. The northern boundary, fixed by that part of the Mason and Dixon line which had no permanent markers, was not known exactly until the resurvey of that line undertaken by the states of Maryland and Pennsylvania some time later. The eastern boundary was long in dispute because of the difficulty of surveying the line required by the Act. The western line, which also marks the common boundary of Maryland and West Virginia, could not be drawn exactly until the boundary dispute between these two states was settled. When all its limits were fixed, Garrett County was found to have an area of 662 square miles, making it the second largest county in the state.

HISTORY—During the Colonial era of America, Garrett County was on the western edge of the "frontier", and summer home for local Indian tribes. For some 3,000 years the Indians had followed buffalo trails over the mountains and through the glades between them to traditional camp sites. There they hunted and fished through the summer months, returning to permanent "towns" in the warmer area of Ohio and Potomac River tributaries.

Archaeologists have determined that the Indians followed this pattern of living from the Archaic Period onward. They have also found that at certain camp sites, the Indians engaged in agricultural pursuits by planting fields in the bottom lands beside the streams. Two such sites can still be identified; one along the Casselman River north of Grantsville, and another beside the Youghiogheny River at Sang Run.

Another camp site along the Youghiogheny River at Friendsville was in the path of the new Interstate 68. During the early 1970's, an archaeological survey was made over several acres of land that would lie under the new highway. Removal of the topsoil revealed that a very large camp had existed on this land beside the river.

Photographs taken during the survey work, along with artifacts discovered there, can be seen in the Museum of the Garrett County Historical Society in Oakland.

Within 50 years of the establishment of the colonies on the seacoast of America, hunters and trappers began to push westward into the Allegheny Mountains; this included land that is now Garrett County. By the mid-1700's, the lucrative fur trade developed by these woodsmen came to the attention of businessmen in the Virginia Colony. They organized themselves into the Ohio Company, and the subsequent boundary dispute between Virginia and Pennsylvania lasted for years.

Through the Ohio Company's charter, Virginia claimed land on the south, west, and north of western Maryland. This included land which now forms 5 counties in southwestern Pennsylvania. It explains why George Washington and other prominent Virginians passed through Garrett County to get to the Ohio River country; they claimed the land beyond Maryland as a part of Virginia.

This dispute between Pennsylvania and Virginia did not end until after the Revolutionary War when a survey of the Mason-Dixon Line was completed in 1784.

The development of several important roads served to open the county to settlers. In some instances the Indian trails were widened. One such trail, Nemacolin's Path, passed through the northern part of this county. General Braddock's army, in 1755, followed this route and cut the first wagon road from Fort Cumberland through the wilderness to the Great Meadows near Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

Along this road occurred the opening battle of the French and Indian War when the young Colonel George Washington was defeated at Fort Necessity. This old road remained in use for a number of years.

The Old State Road (the Winchester-Morgantown-Clarksburg Road) built in 1789 through Garrett County was used by settlers going to the new lands opened up by the Louisiana Purchase.

The first great highway linking the eastern and western sections of the United States was the Cumberland Road, which passed through the northern section of Garrett County near the old Braddock Road. This highway, built by the Federal Government between 1811 and 1819, soon became known as the National Road and today is part of U.S. Route 40. The town of Grantsville, named for Daniel Grant of Baltimore, grew up along this highway.

The Northwestern Turnpike, another famous east-west route, crossed the southern part of the county. It was proposed by George Washington and surveyed by Crozet, once a soldier in Napoleon's army in Egypt who was then an engineer for Virginia. This famous pioneer route is now part of U.S. Route 50.

Only a few settlers came into the area before the Revolution. John Friend, Sr. and his brothers established the first permanent settlement, "Friend's Fortune," at the mouth of the Youghiogheny River, now the town of Friendsville, in 1765. The noted hunter Meshach Browning describes the early days of pioneer life in his book, *Forty-Four Years of the Life of a Hunter.*

The building of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad through the mountains in the 1850's had an even greater effect on the growth of the county than the coming of the highways. After the construction of the railroad through the southern part of the county, new farmlands were cleared, timber and coal resources were developed, and towns were built along the route. Oakland was laid out in 1849 near the little settlement of McCarty's Mill. Bloomington was laid out in the same year as a coal mining center, and Swanton grew up as a shipping point for lumber.

During the Civil War, Garrett County as a section of a "border state" was subject to occasional raids by Confederate troops. One such raid on Oakland in April 1863, was made on a Sunday morning. The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad was a vital supply link for the Union Army, and vulnerable to destruction by the Confederates. The purpose of the raid on Oakland was to destroy railroad bridges in the area and wreck railroad equipment. The Sunday morning raid came as a complete surprise to the Union

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Seasonal splender in scenic Garrett County. © K. Haines

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troops stationed in Oakland to guard the railroad property. As a result, the Union soldiers were taken prisoner and local bridges burned.

One year later in May 1864, the Confederate troops of McNeil's Rangers were not as successful. They tried to blow up the stone arch bridge over the Potomac River at Bloomington. However, because the bridge was so well built, their efforts met with failure. After burning a railroad shop at near-by Piedmont, the Confederate Rangers retreated back to their camp near Moorefield, WV.

After having been part of Allegany County for 83 years, Garrett County was formed in 1872. Oakland, the commercial center for the southern area, was chosen as the county seat. The county was named for John W. Garrett of Baltimore who, as president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, had done much to further the development of the area. During his presidency, the railroad built large summer resorts in Deer Park and Oakland. Deer Park became a resort for the wealthy before 1900. President and Mrs. Cleveland spent a week of their honeymoon there in 1886. The town of Mt. Lake Park was organized in 1881 as a summer religious and cultural center. After 1900, Garrett County's popularity as a summer resort declined, but the coming of Deep Creek Lake and the State Parks reversed the trend.

Coal and lumber have always been important industries in the County with the communities of Kitzmiller, Shallmar, Vindex, Kempton, and Jennings developing as mining centers, and Friendsville and Crellin as lumber and coal areas. Grantsville and Accident have remained primarily agricultural centers.

The Garrett County Historical Society was organized in 1941 under the leadership of the late historian Captain Charles E. Hoye, who edited its quarterly publication, the *Glades Star*. The magazine circulates throughout the United States to more than 500 members and has been continuously published for more than 50 years. The Society maintains its own building on Second Street in Oakland, the Garrett County Historical Museum, Mrs. Beth Friend, curator.

Monroe Run Vista in New Germany State Park. © K. Haines

GARRETT COUNTY INDIANS— As near as can be determined, there were not any permanent Indian villages in Garrett County. However, it was criss-crossed by many paths and was a favorite summer camping ground for three identifiable tribes of Indians. These were the Delaware and Shawnee tribes and a local group known as Mingos.

The earliest Indians to be in this whole area were the Mound Builders, and although none of their culture remains, evidence of their presence can be found in nearby West Virginia counties. A pictograph known as the Feather Rock Petroglyph exists just west of the State line in Preston County, WV.

A number of Indian camp sites have been identified in the County from the concentration of artifacts found along rivers and streams at various locations. An archaeological dig at Friendsville revealed that there was a large camp there, and some artifacts from this dig are displayed in the Friend Family Association museum in the town.

Another archaeological dig at a Garrett County shelter cave known as "Indian Rocks" unearthed Archaic period arrow heads dating back several thousand years.

Many Indian trails criss-crossed Garrett County. One in the northern part of the county was called Nemacolin's Path. In 1749, it was widened into a pack horse trail by the Colonial, Ohio Company of Virginia. Nemacolin, an Indian chief who

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Historical Sites

THE TOWN OF ACCIDENT—FLOWERY VALE—Accident is located on busy Route 219 about 5 miles north of Deep Creek Lake in a scenic farming valley dating back to 1800. The oldest known structure—the Drane House—has been restored. Sites of the two earliest frame structures used by Lutheran congregations for church services have been marked by stone markers in Zion Cemetery and St. Paul's New Cemetery. The 76-year-old yellow brick schoolhouse is now a handsomely remodeled complex, comprising the Flowery Vale Senior Center and Valley View Apartments.

A lovely park and picnic pavilion, plus Town View Village, another apartment complex for the elderly, occupy the site of the famous Speicher Horse Barn which housed imported Belgian and Percheron horses. The historic Kaese's Mill still stands along the Bear Creek-Fish Hatchery Road, appearing much as it did when constructed in 1868.

Accident has traditionally observed the Fourth of July with picnics going back before 1900. It is the main event that serves as Accident's Homecoming Day, drawing large crowds of relatives and former residents. Grocery stores, library, post office, doctor and dentist, churches, garage and automobile dealership, service stations, schools, public water and sewerage systems, well-kept private homes, and excellent roads provide the elements that make Accident a most desirable rural village.

B&O RAILROAD STATION IN OAKLAND—One of the oldest stations in the country, this Queen Anne-style station was built in 1884 after the B&O had developed a resort clientele for Oakland and Garrett County. The ground the station stands on was used by the B&O Railroad as early as 1851.

The Oakland station is now in the National Registry. It is distinguished by its incised brick, picturesque massing and the mixing of building materials characteristic of this disappearing building style. It was built by the Baltimore firm of Baldwin and Pennington, which constructed a similar station in Laurel, Maryland in 1884.

It is located in Oakland, near the intersection of Second and Liberty Streets.

BRADDOCK'S ROAD–Built by British General Edward Braddock's army in 1755, under the direction of aide-de-camp George Washington, the road really is an improvement of the old Indian route, Nemacolin's Trail. The General died along this route while retreating from near Fort Duquesne (Pittsburgh) to Fort Cumberland, after a crushing defeat by a small force of French and Indians.

Braddock's Road became a major route west until it was abandoned in the 19th century with the construction of the National Road (Route 40). *continued on next page*

Casselman River Bridge, Grantsville, Maryland © L. Bell

The Road is most readily identified at Little Meadows, one of Braddock's most important encampments and a site often used by George Washington. It is about four miles east of Grantsville on the north side of U.S. Route 40.

CASSELMAN HOTEL—The Casselman Hotel commemorates the great days of the National Pike. Located on Main Street (old Route 40) in Grantsville, the hotel, still in operation, was first opened as a drover's inn in 1824 (See display advertisement in this guide). Many of the early features of the building have been preserved; to the modern traveler, the hotel offers all of the modern conveniences. The hotel has been in operation for 175 years and is one of the outstanding landmarks within Garrett County's boundaries.

During the hey-days of stage coach travel on the old National Road, there was never any doubt about how far Casselman Inn was from the major cities of Cumberland and Wheeling. Situated on the edge of the highway, and directly in front of the Inn, was a cast iron mileage marker with the miles noted at 25 Cumberland on the west face and 106 Wheeling on the east face.

Like the sturdy red brick building which is now called Casselman Motor Inn, the cast iron mileage marker is still there today. Close examination reveals that the east and west faces of the marker have two more towns listed in addition to Cumberland and Wheeling. Frostburg is on the west face and Petersburg on the east face. (Petersburg is the old name for the present-day Addison, PA.)

During the Civil War, some of the inns on the National Road served as hospitals for soldiers convalescing from battle wounds. Thus, from time to time, the Casselman Inn became a make-shift hospital; generally for men wounded in the battles around Winchester, VA.

With a little imagination, a modern traveler can imagine recovering soldiers helping each other to chairs and sitting in the sunshine on the spacious front lawn of the Casselman Inn.

Garrett County Historical Museum, Oakland, Maryland © K. Haines

CASSELMAN RIVER BRIDGE—At the time of its construction, this was the largest single-span stone arch bridge in the United States (80 feet). Built in 1813 of beautiful native Western Maryland stone, it served traffic on the nation's first Federal highway.

Once a part of the National Pike running between Cumberland, MD, and Wheeling, WV, it provided an improved method of transportation for drovers, freighters, wagoners, horsemen, stagecoach passengers and pedestrians when the western frontier was the Alleghenies.

While watching its construction, people speculated that the bridge would collapse when the supporting timbers were removed. To avoid having the general public as an audience should the bridge collapse at the celebration planned for the removal of the supports, the contractor loosened them the night before the ceremony. The next day, he stood under the bridge during the ceremony to prove its worthiness. The graceful stone arch has stood for the past 186 years as one of Garrett County's most photogenic as well as historic sites.

The bridge was closed to traffic in 1953 and restored with funds made available by the State of Maryland. In 1964, the Department of Interior designated the bridge a Registered Historical Landmark.

A beautiful setting for a summer cookout or outdoor get-together, there is a picnic area with fireplaces and other facilities alongside the bridge. The bridge is located on Route 40 east of Grantsville near Spruce Forest Artisan Village and Penn Alps Restaurant & Crafts Shop.

CHURCH OF THE PRESIDENTS IN OAKLAND—All three of the Presidents—Grant, Harrison and Cleveland—who preferred Garrett County to any other place for their vacations, attended services in this stone building at the corner of Second and Liberty Streets in Oakland.

This church dates to 1868 when John W. Garrett had it built as a memorial to his brother Henry S. Garrett. The brother had originally planned the church, but died before his intentions could be carried out.

A very hard sandstone was quarried by B&O Railroad at Rowlesburg, W.Va., as a source of building stones for bridges and tunnel liners. Mr. Garrett chose this same sandstone for the church building in Oakland and it was shipped to the town by rail.

For a number of years, the Garrett Memorial Church functioned as a community church. In 1903, it became a worship center for the local Presbyterian congregation, who took on the responsibility for

maintaining the building. Although a strong congregation at the beginning of its tenure in the Memorial Church, the membership dwindled to only a handful of people and it ceased to function as a congregation in 1935.

Three years later, it became the center of worship for the congregation of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, who now has possession of the building. This group completely renovated the 100 year old building in 1968.

Presidents Grant, Cleveland and Harrison attended worship services in this building. President Arthur attended services there prior to his election as President.

With a history of famous people attending services, Garrett Memorial Church is now called "Church of the Presidents."

DRANE HOUSE—Built in the late 1700's just east of Accident, the Drane House is one of the very few original frontier plantation homes remaining on Maryland's Tableland. It is the key to Accident's past and the living history of tobacco growing days in the uplands.

Although the log cabin is now known as the Drane House, it was actually built about 1797 by James Drane's brother-in law, William Lamar. He relinquished title to Drane for the surrounding land and cabin in 1803. Both men attempted to inaugurate tobacco farming on this part of the Maryland frontier. After several unsuccessful seasons, Drane abandoned the idea of growing tobacco and settled for the type of farm crops which best suited the Garrett County weather.

When the last tenant vacated the property in 1952, the Drane House had set a record for "the longest continuous occupancy of any house in the County."

Viewed as an historic landmark, a group of people in Accident banded together for the purpose of saving the deteriorating, two story log building. Grants were obtained from the State of Maryland and the physical restoration work began in October, 1991. However, before this work could start, a required archaeological site survey had to be conducted around the building. Most of the artifacts recovered by the archaeological team were those expected, a series of household items associated with 150 years of occupancy. Yet, one item was found which definitely tied the Drane House to the "frontier of the late 1700's." This was an 1780 era Spanish coin bearing the inscription "Curolus III." The coin recalled a common practice along the American Frontier of the late 1700's and early 1800's; that of using British or Spanish coins as a medium of exchange in place of the inflated paper money issued by the new United States government.

Since the cabin was almost 200 years old, some of its logs had to be replaced as a part of the restoration work. The building was dismantled and new logs put in here and there to replace the old ones. A unique part of this log replacement work was the use of old style tools such as the adze and double bladed axe to shape the new logs to the correct dimensions. The restoration work was completed in 1994 and over 100 Drane descendents and friends attended the ribbon cutting ceremony held in September of that year.

The Drane House is located at the end of Cemetery Road which runs past the Zion Lutheran Church on the eastern edge of Accident. The house has now been restored and is open for tours upon request by calling the Accident Town Hall, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at (301) 746-6346. Admission is free and visitors are invited to visit this important part of Garrett County's past.

FRIEND FAMILY ASSOCIATION'S NATIONAL HERITAGE MUSEUM AND LIBRARY—The museum depicts the history of Friendsville, first settled by John Friend in the early 1760's. The museum and library contain artifacts of early Indian dwellers, 700 general genealogical books and files on most local families in addition to the Friend family. The museum is located on Maple Street in Friendsville and is open on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 12-3 p.m. or by appointment, May-November. Visitors desiring additional information may contact Ina Hicks at (301) 746-5615.

FRIENDSVILLE—The site of the first settlement (Selbysport is the oldest town) in Garrett County, Friendsville was named for John Friend, Sr., who came to the area in 1765 and bought the land from the Indians. When the C&O Railroad was built in 1890, the town became an important shipping point for lumber products.

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Renovated 1890's General Store on Sang Run Road.

Calendar of Events & Activities

April 15, 2000

GARRETT COUNTY JOB FAIR—Noon - 3 pm. Continuing Education Building, Garrett Community College. Learn about seasonal and year-round job opportunities while meeting with area employers. Come prepared for an interview. Sponsored by the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. Call (301) 387-3080.

ANNUAL PARK CLEAN-UP DAY—(Call for rain date) 9 am - noon. Work side by side with park staff and volunteers to do a little spring cleaning around New Germany State Park. Meet at the Lakehouse. Lunch will be provided by the Friends of New Germany. Call (301) 895-5759.

COMMUNITY PALM SUNDAY PROGRAM—3 pm at the Flowery Vale Senior Center in Accident. Call (301) 746-6346.

April 22, 2000

EASTER EGG HUNT—Herrington Manor State Park, 5 miles outside Oakland. Starts at 2 pm. Come out and hunt eggs with the Easter Bunny. Fifty dozen eggs donated by McDonald's will be colored and hidden. Prizes for age groups. Free admission. Hmsp@mail.gcnet.net or call (301) 334-9180.

April 23, 2000

GUIDED WILDFLOWER WALK—Potomac-Garrett State Forest. View the natural beauty of spring wildflowers in the Lostland Run area of Potomac State Forest. Walk begins at 2 pm in front of the Potomac-Garrett Office on Potomac Camp Road. Call (301) 334-2038.

May 13, 2000

NATURE WALK FOR MOM—2 pm. Show your appreciation of her through the beauty of nature on a guided nature hike. Learn together about the natural resources that showcase themselves this time of the year. Deep Creek Lake State Park, Discovery Center. dclsp@mail2.gcnet. net or call (301) 387-7067.

COMMUNITY VARIETY SHOW—7:30 pm, at the Flowery Vale Senior Center in Accident. Call (301) 746-6346.

May 14, 2000

GUIDED WILDFLOWER WALK—Potomac-Garrett State Forest. View the natural beauty of spring wildflowers in the Lostland Run area of Potomac State Forest. Walk begins at 2 pm in front of the Potomac-Garrett Office on Potomac Camp Road. Call (301) 334-2038.

May 20, 2000

DISCOVERY CENTER OPEN HOUSE—Parks 2000 Event. Enjoy a day at the Discovery Center and celebrate the 1 year anniversary of the Discovery Center and the 75th Anniversary of Deep Creek Lake. Natural History Presentations, Nature Hikes, Games and Crafts are just an example of some of the activities. dclsp@mail2.gcnet.net or call (301) 387-7067.

TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE—Town of Grantsville, 7 am until ? Residents in town have yard sales throughout town. Call (301) 895-3144.

MONROE RUN WILDFLOWER WALK—Join a Naturalist at 9 am for a 5 mile hike down the Monroe Run Hiking Trail. Many stream crossings. Dress appropriately. Register for the hike at the Savage River Complex. Limited to 12 participants. No fee. Call (301) 895-5759.

May 21, 2000

ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE—Tour New Germany State Park, walk through four of the rustic cabins, view rescue equipment and talk to State Forest and Park Rangers. Refreshments provided. No fee. Call (301) 895-5759.

May 29, 2000

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES—Accident Park East, 9:30 am. Call (301) 746-6346.

June TBA, 2000

ARCHERY TOURNAMENT — Archery tournament held at the 3-D Range behind the Potomac-Garrett State Forest Office on Potomac Camp Road. Registration from 11 am - 1 pm. Mens, womens & youth prizes awarded. Call (301) 334-2038.

June 3, 2000

3RD ANNUAL PIG ROAST—Eastern Garrett VFRD Station, 401 Finzel Road, Frostburg, MD – take Exit 29 (Maryland side) Finzel off I-68. Meal from 6:30 - 9:00 pm with dancing following. Meal includes roasted pork, picnic items & drinks. Admission. For tickets or information, call (301) 895-3950.

13th ANNUAL MCHENRY HIGHLAND FESTIVAL—10 am - 5 pm, Garrett County Fairgrounds, McHenry. An event-filled day for the whole family, featuring Scottish country dancers, Scottish shops & food, sheepdog demonstrations, athletic competitions, highland dancing, solo piping and bagpipe competitions, bluegrass music, crafts and more. Kirkin 'O' the Tartans at 9:30 am Sunday, June 4th, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Deer Park. Sponsored by the Deep Creek Lake Lions Club. Call (301) 387-9300. See ad on page 76.

GOVERNOR'S YOUTH FISHING DERBY—8-12 noon, Herrington Manor State Park. Get hooked on fishing. Win prizes, keep your fish. Free food and drinks. No license required—free fishing day. Free admission. hmsp@mail.gcnet.net or call (301) 334-9180.

MUSICIAN'S SHOWCASE—noon, Spruce Artisan Village. Local musicians sharing their talents and musical artistry with visitors, outdoors amidst a 75-year old spruce forest. Music ranges from Classical to BlueGrass to Celtic and Appalachian. In case of inclement weather, musicians perform on the front porch of the 1835 Miller House and 1825 Compton School. tmorgan@spruce forest.org or call (301) 895-3332.

NATIONAL TRAILS DAY—Parks 2000 Event. Discovery Center. Either by yourself or with a Ranger, enjoy

our natural resources on one of our trails. Hike, bike or canoe on one or more of our parks trails. dclsp@mail2.gcnet.net or call (301)387-7067.

June 8-11, 2000

PAULUS & GERTRUDE KUSTER DESCENDANTS CONFERENCE—Wisp Mountain Resort, sponsored by Castor Association of America. A non-profit genealogy society dedicated to collecting and preserving family history will offer at this biennial conference, titled "Turning Point for the Century: Leaving the Myths Behind", educational opportunities, fellowship and entertainment. The honored guests will be The General and Mrs. George Armstrong Custer a.k.a. Stine and Sandy Alexander of Monroe, MI. Conference package/day rate available. maverick.rootsweb.com/cada/sr.wel.htm or call Marilyn Posten at (301) 334-2397.

June 9-10, 2000

GARRETT COUNTY RELAY FOR LIFE—Friday 7 pm, Saturday noon; Southern Garrett High School. Relay For Life the National Signature Event for the American Cancer Society. It honors cancer survivors and remembers those lost to the disease. Teams of 8-15 people walk around the track during the event. Various activities and games are incorporated into the overnight event. The public is welcome and admission is free. Call Kevin Tephabock, American Cancer Society (888) 227-9979.

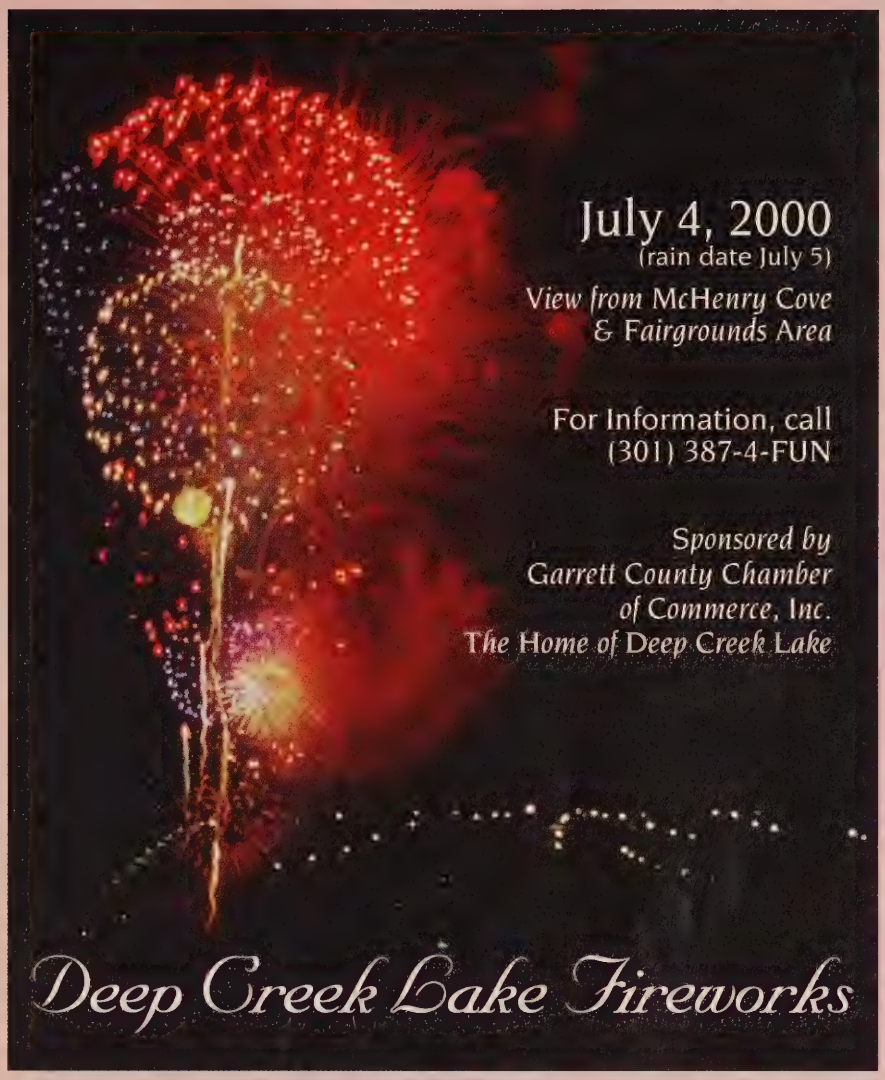
June 11, 2000

LOSTLAND RUN HIKES—A 3.5 mile hike starting at the Potomac-Garrett Office and following the Lostland Run Trail to the North Branch of the Potomac River. The hike will feature Cascade Falls and the Potomac Overlook. Meet in front of the office on Potomac Camp Road at 2 pm. Call (301) 334-2038.

WESTERN MARYLAND LOGGER/FORESTRY FIELD DAYS AND EQUIPMENT SHOW—This is a Biennial event and will be held again June 8th and 9th, 2001.

June 17, 2000

CANOE TRIP FOR DAD ON DEEP CREEK LAKE—2 pm. Take Dad on a guided canoe trip on Deep Creek Lake's Meadow Mountain Cove. Enjoy the beauty of our natural resources while spending a day with your best friend. dclsp@mail 2.gcnet.net or call (301)387-7067.



June 17-18, 2000

2nd ANNUAL SUMMER SPLASH— Boat show at Deep Creek Lake beginning at 12 noon daily, with Garrett County marinas participating. Boat parade, wakeboard contest, Las Vegas night, children's activites & more. Call the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce at (301) 387-4386, info@garrettchamber.com or visit the tourism site www. garrettchamber.com.

June 21, 2000

FISHING RODEO—Anyone 15 years of age or under may register for this free event. Event starts at 8 am and concludes at 11 am. Awards will be given for the largest fish caught, most number of fish caught and the youngest successful angler. Sponsored by the Friends of New Germany. Call (301) 895-5453.

June 23-25, 2000

23rd ANNUAL GRANTSVILLE DAYS—Grantsville Town Park, Friday 7:15 pm -11:30 pm; Saturday noon -11:30 pm; Sunday noon-5 pm. Homecoming event, locally prepared foods including Lions BBQ Chicken dinners, Friday night parade and fireworks, Saturday tractor pull contests, games, fireworks, Sunday horse pull contest talent exhibition, free continuous entertainment including country-rock, oldies, bluegrass, jazz, country line dancing, Grantsville VFD Midway games and food, crafts, novelty and display booths. Free admission. Festival chairman: (301) 895-5177, Booth Chairman, (301) 895-5903 gbeachy@garrett.ncin.com.

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July 1, 2000

MUSICIAN'S SHOWCASE— noon, Spruce Artisan Village. Local musicians sharing their talents and musical artistry with visitors, outdoor amidst a 75-year old spruce forest. Music ranges from Classical to BlueGrass to Celtic and Appalachian. In case of inclement weather, musicians perform on the front porch of the 1835 Miller House & 1825 Compton School. tmorgan@spruceforest.org or call (301) 895-3332.

July 2-4, 2000

ACCIDENT'S IDEA, "INDEPENDENCE DAY EXHIBITION OF ART" —Children, youth, adults (amateur & professional) are invited to compete for ribbons and prizes in an annual art show. Call (301) 746-8413.

July 3, 2000

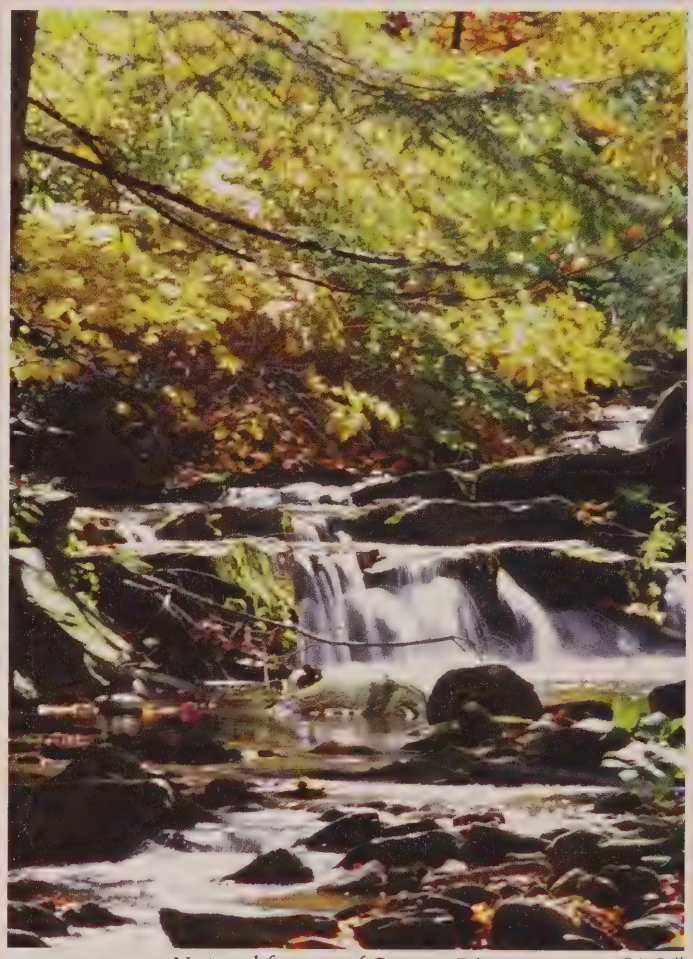
CANOE TRIP DOWN THE YOUGHIOGHENY RIVER—9:30 am. Join the Rangers for a relaxing leisurely paddle down Maryland's first Wild and Scenic River. Spectacular views await you. Class I and II waters is all that will be encountered. dclsp@mail2. gcnet.net or call (301)387-7067.

July 4, 2000

ACCIDENT'S 4th OF JULY HOMECOMING— 9 am - 10 pm, South Street Complex. Parade, patriotic program, band concerts, musical entertainment, crafts, food, children's games, art show, and more. Call (301) 746-6346.

DEEP CREEK LAKE FIREWORKS CELEBRATION—Approximately 9:30 pm (dusk). Displayed over the Wisp Ski Slopes and Deep Creek Lake. Best viewed in the McHenry Cove area by car or by boat. Free admission. Rain date July 5. Sponsored by the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. (301) 387-6171.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION/FIREWORKS— 8 am - dark, Broadford Lake Park Recreation Area, Oakland. Begins with special contests, boating, swimming, fishing, volleyball, picnicking, etc. and concludes with a beautiful fireworks display at dusk. Come enjoy a relaxing day at Broadford Park. $3 per car. Call (301) 334-9222 or (301) 334-2691.



Natural beauty of Savage River. © L. Bell

July 7-8, 2000

5th ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO—7:30 pm daily. Garrett County Fairgrounds, McHenry. Bareback riding, saddlebronc, bullriding, open barrel racing, Timberline Country Music Band, pony rides for children. Western apparel and Rodeo T-Shirts for sale. Sponsored by Pepsi, 7-Up, Team One, and Deer Park Volunteer Fire Department. Advance Tickets: $8 adult; $4 child; At gate: $10 adult; $5 child. Call (301) 334-4375.

July 9, 2000

LOSTLAND RUN HIKES—A 3.5 mile hike starting at the Potomac-Garrett Office and following the Lostland Run Trail to the North Branch of the Potomac River. The hike will feature Cascade Falls and the Potomac Overlook. Meet in front of the office on Potomac Camp Road at 2 pm. Call (301) 334-2038.

July 13-15, 2000

23rd ANNUAL SUMMERFEST & QUILT SHOW—10 am - 5 pm daily, at Spruce Forest Artisan Village near Penn Alps on Route 40, 1 mile east of Grantsville. Features nearly 100 juried artisans, crafters, musicians and storytellers amidst 75 year-old Spruce Forest. Resident artisans at work inside restored, authentic log cabins; Children's Corner (11 am - 3 pm), silent auction, strolling musicians, free parking, food concessions, complimentary shuttle bus between festival, quilt show and other popular shopping attractions in Grantsville. Admission $5, persons over 12. Call (301) 895-3332.

July 14-16, 2000

WESTERN MARYLAND 4-H CENTER EVENT—2nd Annual Family Fitness is Fun Weekend. The objective of this family educational event is to actively engage family members in fitness and nutrition workshops that will improve participants' quality of life. All inclusive fee covers food, lodging and activities. Sessions include: canoeing; hiking for exercise; and recreational fitness. Workshops include: stress management; dietary guidelines; overall wellness and more! Everyone welcome to participate. Advance registration by 6/16/00. Equal opportunity program. Pw82@umail.umed.edu or call (301) 334-6967.

July 15, 2000

CHRISTMAS IN JULY FOR MAN'S BEST FRIEND—11 am to ?, Garrett County Fairgrounds, McHenry, sponsored by the Garrett County Humane Society. Fido Costume Show, Pet Look-a-Like, Chinese Auction-Silent Auction, a day of fun for the whole family. Register your fido early for the above events, $12 for one, $18 for two, includes a Christmas in July T-shirt. Spectators are free but a donation is appreciated. Call (301) 387-4862.

MAGIC OF MONROE RUN HIKE/CANOE THE SAVAGE RIVER RESERVOIR—Take a hike down the 5 mile trail along Monroe Run, a scenic trout stream. The trail crosses the stream several times, participants should wear appropriate clothing. A canoe trip will follow on the Savage River Reservoir. Participants should be in good physical condition. Open to those 12 years of age and older. Fee $8 per person. Limited spaces. Call (301) 895-5759.

35th ANNUAL FIDDLER'S CONTEST & 11th ANNUAL BANJO CONTEST—Town Park, Friendsville. A full afternoon and evening of bluegrass and foot-stomping fiddle and banjo music. Cloggers welcome. Contest begins at 7 pm. Pre-contest entertainment begins at 3 p.m. Food available. $5 adults, $2 children. Call (301) 746-8194.

July 16, 2000

CONCERT IN THE PARK—Accident Concert Band, 5 pm; Accident Park, West. Call (301) 746-6346.

July 21-23, 2000

PUZZLEY RUN FOLK LIFE CENTER BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL—No fees. Free Camping. Shade tree, campfire and parking lot pickin'. Acoustic instruments only. Food available. Saturday evening square dance at 8 pm. Call (301) 895-3742 or (301) 746-7049.

July 22, 2000

12th ANNUAL KITZMILLER HOMECOMING—11 am - 4 pm, Kitzmiller Elementary School Park & Playground. Outdoor event with on-ground live music, games, horseshoe tournament, demonstrations, chicken barbecue and various other foods. Held rain or shine. Call (301) 453-3586.

August 4-6, 2000

ANTIQUE SHOW & SALE—Garrett County Fairgrounds, McHenry. Fri. & Sat., 10 am - 7 pm; Sun. 10 am - 4 pm. There are 30 dealers from MD, WV, PA, OH & NY. Period antiques to collectibles. Admission $2.50 (good for all 3 days). Call (301) 387-8275 or (301) 334-2539.

August 2-6, 2000

79th ANNUAL WESTERN MARYLAND TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS—9 am - dark daily. Held at Mt. Lake Park Tennis Club off Route 135 outside Oakland, this is the oldest tennis event in Maryland and features competition in men's singles, doubles and mixed doubles, women's singles, doubles, and mixed doubles, & senior's singles, doubles, and mixed doubles. Everyone is welcome to pull up a chair and watch this exciting event. Sponsored by MATA. Call (301) 334-4641 or (301) 387-8371.

August 5, 2000

MUSICIAN'S SHOWCASE—noon, Spruce Artisan Village. Local musicians sharing their talents and musical artistry with visitors, outdoor amidst a 75-year old spruce forest. Music ranges from Classical to Blue Grass to Celtic and Appalachian. In case of inclement weather, musicians perform on the front porch of the 1835 Miller House and 1825 Compton School. tmorgan@spruce forest.org or call (301) 895-3332.

August 5-7, 2000

FRIENDSVILLE DAYS 2000—21st Annual Celebration. Held at the Friendsville Community Park, located off Friendsville-Addison Road adjacent to the Yough River. For a donation you receive a meal on Friday evening at 6 pm. Parade begins at 12 noon Saturday. Various games and entertainment throughout the day. Fireworks at 10 pm. Call (301) 746-5928 or (301) 746-5677.

August 13-19, 2000

44th ANNUAL GARRETT COUNTY AGRICULTURE FAIR—8 am - 11 pm daily. Held at the Garrett County Fairgrounds, McHenry. 4-H & FFA exhibits; 4-H & FFA livestock sale Saturday night; nightly musical entertainment; nightly events at race track, demo derbies, tractor pulls, 4-wheel pickup pulls; carnival and midway; delicious food at local civic organization booths; commercial displays and much more. $6 pay one price. Call (301) 334-4715 ext. 2321.

August 13, 2000

WALLMAN 4-WHEELER TOUR—Take a 2-hour tour of the Wallman area of Potomac State Forest. Interested riders meet at 1 pm at the Wallman Group site (off Rt. 560 and White Church-Steyer Rd.) Helmets and ATV's required. Call (301) 334-2038.

August 18-20, 2000

37th WESTERN MARYLAND AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP—Oakland Country Club, Oakland. Fri, Sat, Sun. 54 Hole Stroke Play Amateur Golf Championship. Two senior divisions. Field is flighted after 36 holes. Entry fee TBA. thuwheels@mindspring.com or contact Wheeler Stewart, Golf Pro at (301) 334-3883.

PUZZLEY RUN FOLK DAYS—Bietschehof Farm, Grantsville, Friday 11 am -7 pm, Sat & Sun. 10 am until.... Encampment by Will's Mountain Renegade Living History Club. Many pioneer living demonstrations – Blacksmith, Soapmaker, Saurerkraut-maker, Herb culture, Gunsmith and Potter. Art exhibit, Music – Folk, Bluegrass, Gospel, Harps and Bagpipes, Folk Dancing – exhibition and participation. Saturday night square dance at 8 pm. Craft sales, food and children's games. Admission $4 adults, $1 children 6-12; under 6 free. Call (301) 895-3742 or (301) 746-7049.

August 19-20, 2000

21st ANNUAL MILLENNIUM ANTIQUE AND CUSTOM AUTO SHOW—Route 40 Elementary School near Finzel. Follow old

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Route 40 or Interstate 68 to Exit 29 and follow signs. Two days of fun this year with NO spectator gate admission. The car show will be held on Sunday from 9 am to 4 pm. Vehicle registration for car show is $6, with cars receiving a dash plaque. Vendors, crafts, beanies and games... music. Cars, trucks and motorcycles from throughout the tri-state region are featured. Sponsored by the Eastern Garrett County Volunteer Fire Company. Call (301) 689-5431.

August 26, 2000

COUNTRY FEST & AUCTION— 8 am - 5 pm. Garrett County Fairgrounds, McHenry. Auction features hand-quilted quilts, wood furniture, collectibles (including Beanies) & "In-Home Dinner" tickets (for a meal in a local Mennonite home). Other attractions include craft items, home-baked goods, horse & buggy rides, pony rides, farm animal petting zoo & wholesome children's videos. Watch quilting, apple cider pressing, wheat grinding, milking, separating & butter churning. Enjoy hotcakes & sausage, home-made ice cream, soft pretzels, fresh doughnuts (all made on premises) chicken-BBQ. This event is sponsored by the Dry Run Mennonite Church and School. (There are no vendors). Call (301) 895-3268, (301) 746-8429 or (301) 245-4326.

11th ANNUAL OLD TIME MUSIC FEST—10 am - 6 pm. Featuring old time, traditional bands & individual performances. Also, ample space for jamming, clogging and eating. Food & some chairs provided. Donation. Call (301) 334-4468.

September 2, 2000

100 YEARS OF FORESTRY IN GARRETT COUNTY—Parks 2000 Event. Discovery Center. Join others as we celebrate 100 years of Forestry in Garrett County. Listen to living history tales of the old days when cross-cut saws and axes were used to fell timber. Enjoy guided trips to our fire tower and view Deep Creek Lake from another angle while learning how and why the towers were used. Kids join in the games and activities about forestry and forest fire fighting. dclsp@mail2.gcnet.net or call (301) 387-7067.

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Amish horses and buggies patiently await the return of their owners.

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September 2-3, 2000

APPLE BUTTER BOIL—8 am - 3 pm daily. Swallow Falls State Park. Join the staff for an end of the season festival with the making of apple butter, corn and hot dog roast and on Sunday a Hammered Dulcimer concert from 11 am -12 noon and 1-2 pm; Admission $2. hmsp@mailgcnet.net or call (301) 334-9180.

September 9, 2000

TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE— Town of Grantsville, 7 a.m. until ? Residents in town have yard sales throughout town. Call (301) 895-3144.

4th ANNUAL CORNUCOPIA DAY—10 am - 5 pm. Grantsville. Numerous activities throughout town, including craft booths, food concessions, sidewalk sales and special merchant discounts, complimentary refreshments, cornucopia flags and autumn decor, children's activities, chicken barbecue, strolling musicians, scavenger hunt and much more. Call (301) 895-3332.

September 16, 2000

BASS '2000' FISHING TOURNAMENT—Deep Creek Lake State Park. 7 am-3 pm. Over $6,000 in cash prizes. Raffle prizes, refreshments for entrants before and after event. Sponsored by County United Way, Inc. $90 per boat; $10 lunker. Call Linda Toey at (301) 359-9697.

WESTERN MARYLAND BREW FEST 2000—2 pm- 7 p.m. Deep Creek Brewing Company, McHenry. Over 20 microbrews from 10 different breweries will be available for tasting. Live entertainment will be provided as well as fantastic food. Don't miss this great time! Find out the details at http://www.deepcreek brewing. com or call (301) 387-2182.

September 17, 2000

GARRETT STATE FOREST HIKE—A 5.5 mile hike on the Garrett State Forest Trail that travels from Herrington Manor State Park to Swallow Falls State Park. Hikers are to meet at 1 pm at the parking lot near Herrington Manor Lake. Call (301) 334-2038.

Sept. 22-24, 2000

WESTERN MARYLAND 4-H CENTER EVENT—Team Challenge Camp Weekend. This educational program for teens, ages 13-16 & adults interested in learning more about their own unique strengths as leaders, team players & mentors. Selected objectives include: development of interpersonal & small group communication skills, problem-solving strategies & techniques: building individual & group awareness, etc. All inclusive fee covers food, lodging & activities. Everyone welcome to participate. Application deadline is 9/1/00. Equal opportunity program. Pw82@umail.umd.edu or call (301) 334-6967.

October 6-7, 2000

43rd ANNUAL SPRINGS FOLK FESTIVAL—9 am- 5 pm daily. On Route 669, 3 miles north of Grantsville, MD. Held during the peak of fall foliage, 135 juried craftsmen will be at work demonstrating how our forefathers worked and played. Listen to continual performances of the banjo, hammered dulcimer, barbershoppers and a cappella voices of local Mennonites. Treat your palate to a PA Dutch dinner, funnel cakes and bread baked in an outdoor oven. Fun for young and old alike. Admission: $5 adults, $2 children, 5 thru 12; under 5 free. Call (814) 662-4158.

October 6-8, 2000

WESTERN MARYLAND 4-H CENTER EVENT—11th Annual Family Camp Weekend. Activities will center around family interaction, natural resources education, recreation & fun with other families. Traditional camp activities include: campfires, hiking, nature study, shooting sports, crafts, group singing and much more! Families from Maryland & neighboring regions are welcome. Association with 4-H is not necessary. All inclusive fee. Advance registration by 9/1/00. Pw82@umail.umd.edu or call (301) 334-6967.

October 7, 2000

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October 7-8, 2000

FALL COLOR HAYRIDES—Herrington Manor State Park, 11:30 am & 2:30 pm daily. Join Park staff for an authentic hayride through the State Park & forest. Along the way, witness the beauty of Garrett County's fall season, observe wildlife & learn a little about the history of the area. PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED. $5 per person. hmsp@mail.gcnet.net or call (301) 334-9180.

October 8, 2000

AUTUMN GLORY HIKE—A 3.5 mile hike starting at the Potomac-Garrett Office and following the Lostland Run trail to the North Branch of the Potomac River. The hike will feature the fall foliage, Cascade Falls & Potomac Overlook. Meet in front of the Office on Potomac Camp Road at 2 pm. Call (301) 334-2038.

October 12-15, 2000

33rd ANNUAL AUTUMN GLORY FESTIVAL©—Held in downtown Oakland and surrounding areas, celebrating the glory of the fall foliage season. Railroad Excursions, Craft Show and Sale, Fiddle and Banjo Contests, Gortner Airport Fly-In, Tournament of Bands, Antique Show and Sale, Simon Pearce Glass Blowing Tours, Grand Feature and Fireman's Parades, Octoberfest, 5K Run, Ski & Snowboard Swap, Performing Arts, Collectibles Show and Sale including Cards, Beanies and NASCAR, Tall Tale Festival and much more. For information and a brochure, contact the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, (301)387-4386.

October 13, 2000

MARYLAND OFFICIAL STATE BANJO CONTEST—7 pm at the Southern High School Gymnasium, Oakland. The very best banjo pickers from the Atlantic region competing for the Maryland title in age categories. A name Bluegrass/Country group will perform. To enter the contest, or for more information contact the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, (301) 387-4386.

October 14, 2000

MARYLAND OFFICIAL STATE FIDDLE CONTEST—7 pm at the Southern High School Gymnasium, Oakland. Fiddle players from several states competing for the Maryland State Title. Many categories from the very young to the very old, including professional. Some Grand Champion Fiddlers (held State title in their category for 3 years). Truly outstanding performances. To compete in the contest, or for more information contact the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, (301) 387-4386.

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Guided hikes offer fun for the whole family © L. Bell

October 13-15, 2000

WESTERN MARYLAND 4-H CENTER EVENT—Autumn Glory Family Campout. This family educational event is held in conjunction with the Garrett County Autumn Glory Festival. All-inclusive fee covers food, lodging & optional activities. Activity sessions scheduled around Festival activities will be offered in Natural Resources Education, Canoeing; Hiking and Challenge Course participation. Advance registration by 9/8/00. Maryland Cooperative Extension provides equal opportunity programs. Call (301) 334-6967.

October 15-17, 2000

CIVIC CLUB ANTIQUE SHOW AND SALE—Fri. and Sat. 10 am to 7 pm, Sun. 10 am to 4 pm at the Maryland National Guard Armory on 8th and High Streets. 31 Antique dealers displaying antiques for 3 days during the Autumn Glory Festival. Food available including soup, sandwiches and deserts. Admission $2. Call Jackie Johnson (301) 334-4420.

October 14-15, 2000

CSX MAINLINE FALL FOLIAGE EXCURSIONS—Scale the heights of the Alleghenies from Cumberland, MD (elev. 640 feet) to Oakland, MD (elev. 2,363 feet). Travel along the Potomac River before ascending the "17 Mile Grade" on Backbone Mountain and visit the "Summit of the Alleghenies" at Altamont (elev. 2,628 feet). During the stopover in Oakland, you'll have time to visit the Autumn Glory Festival, sample a variety of lunch choices from area restaurants and visit Oakland's historic B&O Railroad Station. This 110 mile round-trip presents the Allegheny Mountains in their true autumn glory, resplendent with brilliant fall color. Trains depart from the Amtrak station in Cumberland at 9 am. Adult $45; Child $37.50. For information & reservations, call (800) TRAIN-50 or (301) 759-4400.

October 15, 2000

16th ANNUAL GREATER GORTNER AIRPORT FLY-IN/OPEN HOUSE—Begins at 12 noon at Greater Gortner Airport, 5 miles south of Oakland off Blue Ribbon Road. Skydiving, airplane rides all day, airplane candy drop for children, aircraft and helicopter displays (includes MD Trooper 5 and WVU Healthnet Medevacs), Shriner clowns, antique engines, concessions and other family entertainment. Free admission. Call (301) 334-3541.

BACKBONE MT. 4-WHEELER TOUR—2-hour tour of the Backbone Mountain area of Potomac State Forest. Interested riders are to meet at 1 pm at a lot along Route 135, near the intersection of Swanton Hill Road. Helmets and ATV's required. For information and reservations, call (301) 334-2038.

October 28, 2000

HALLOWEEN HAYRIDES—7-9 pm, Herrington Manor State Park, 5 miles outside of Oakland. Come out for an evening hayride through the State Park. Candy for the kids. Free admission. hmsp@mail.gcnet.net or call (301) 334-9180.

COSTUME DANCE—9 pm-1 am, Eastern Garrett VFRD Station, 401 Finzel Road, Frostburg, MD, take Exit 29 (Maryland side) Finzel off I-68. In the spirit of Halloween a dress up dance with a live band for an evening of enjoyment. Prizes awarded for best costumes. Cash bar available. Admission. Call (301) 689-9343.

November 4, 2000

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY GALA—The Garrett County Memorial Hospital Foundation will hold a "Golden Anniversary Gala" fundraiser to celebrate the hospital's 50th anniversary. The proceeds will be used to purchase vital patient care equipment. Anyone interested in volunteering or obtaining information about the event should contact Kathy Greaser in the Foundation Office at (301) 334-2155, or at krg@gcnet.net.

November 11, 2000

HOLIDAY TREATS—10 am-12 noon & 1-3 pm at Oak Park Church of the Brethren. Demonstrations and sampling of edible holiday treats, sweet and unsweetened; holiday decorations, wrapping packages, festive display ideas, bird feed and much more. Attendants will receive program book containing recipes. Admission $2. Pre-registration appreciated. Call (301) 334-6960.

December 1-2, 2000

4th ANNUAL OLD-FASHIONED GRANTSVILLE CHRISTMAS—Friday & Saturday. Two days of old-fashioned hospitality and holiday charm in Grantsville. Event features carolers, doorprizes, complimentary refreshments, special merchant holiday activities. Photos with Mr. & Mrs. Claus, holiday shopping, tree lighting. Call (301) 895-3332.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS—Home for the Holidays Home Tour is a fund-raiser for the American Red Cross. Local residents open up their homes and allow the public to enjoy their Christmas decorations. Funds are used to help disaster victims. Friday 4-9 pm; and Saturday 10 am-3 pm. Sponsored by the Western Potomac Chapter of the American Red Cross. $5 advance ticket sales; $7 at the door. Call (301) 387-2570.

December 1, 2000

FRESH AIR CHRISTMAS—4-8 pm. Downtown Oakland. Old fashioned community gathering to celebrate the season. Lighting of the town tree, Christmas carolers and delicious foods from local restaurants. Craft vendors and local charities, gift items & baked goods. Spectacular fellowship and Santa too. Sponsored by the Greater Oakland Business Association. Call (301) 533-4470.

December 8, 2000

LIGHTING OF THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE—7 pm. Front lawn of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Accident. Brief program & caroling through town. Call (301) 746-6346.

December 9, 2000

CHRISTMAS IN FLOWERY VALE—5-7 pm. Tour of churches and the historic Drane House. Call (301) 746-6346.

HOLIDAY FESTIVAL OF MUSIC—Accident Concert Band—7:30 pm at the Flowery Vale Senior Center in Accident. To benefit Garrett County veterans and their families. Call (301) 746-6346.

January TBA, 2001

CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLINIC—New Germany State Park Lakehouse. Instructors will be assisting with all aspects of cross country skiing for beginners. Weather dependent. $10 per person. Call (301) 245-4627.

January TBA, 2001

SKI CHALET DAY—Wisp Mountain Resort. Demo day for various ski and snowboard equipment companies. Call (301) 387-4911.

January TBA, 2001

MID-ATLANTIC SNOWBOARD SERIES—Saturday Slope-Style Competition held at Wisp Devil's Arena located at the Base of the Face, featuring Singular Aerials and tricks for individually judged competition. Sunday Boarder-Cross Course set-up similar to moto-cross involving numerous snowboarders racing against one another through banked turns, jumps and other obstacles. Call (301) 387-4911.

January 27, 2001

KICK & GLIDE CROSS-COUNTRY SKI RACE—Herrington Manor State Park. 8 am registration; 10 a.m. race. Be part of this annual cross-country ski race. Come for fun or to earn points on the circuit. Prizes & trophies awarded in 7 age groups. Ski rentals available at Herrington Manor on a first-come, first-serve basis. Admission: $5 adults; $1 under 12. hmsp@mail.gcnet.net. Call (30l) 334-9180.

February TBA, 2001

CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLINIC—New Germany State Park Lakehouse. Instructors will cover information pertinent to intermediate and advanced skiers. Weather dependent. $10 per person. Call (301) 245-4627.

February TBA, 2001

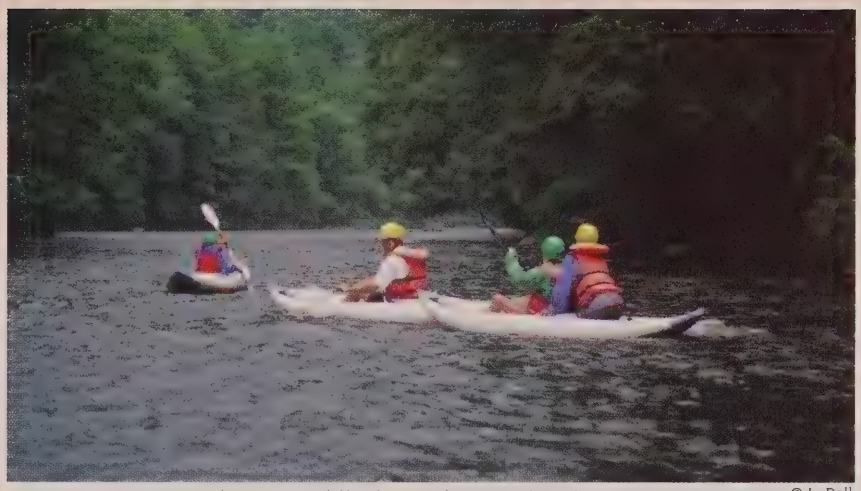
U.S. COLLEGIATE SKI RACE—Wisp Mountain Resort. A slalom race in series of Alpine races for College Teams. Call (301) 387-4911.

February TBA, 2001

PSIA LEVEL 1 SNOWBOARD TRAINING—Wisp Mountain Resort. Instructor training for Snowboard professionals, please contact your local ski school director for information. Call (301) 387-4911.

February 16-17, 2001

1st ANNUAL CHERRIES AND CHILL FESTIVAL—10 am to 5 pm. Spruce Artisan Village. Admission FREE, donations welcome. This winter festival features "cherry-themed" activities, revolving around the history of the National Road, George Washington, and the cherry tree legend; event highlights include music, complimentary refreshments, childrenís activities on Saturday, coloring contest, "Cherry Hunt", a cherry dessert judging; artisans at work in authentic, cozy log cabins, storytelling in the 1835 Miller House and 1825 Compton School. tmorgan@spruceforest.org or call (301) 895-3332.



A relaxing paddle down the Youghiogheny River. © L. Bell

February TBA, 2001

U.S. SKI SERIES—Wisp Mountain Resort. Pro-Am Ski and Snowboard competition. East Coast professionals and area amateurs competing in a series ski race. A unique opportunity to see truly great skiers in our area. Call (301) 387-4911.

February TBA, 2001

BALTIMORE ADAPTIVE SKI—Wisp Mountain Resort. An organizational ski weekend for adaptive skiers and snowboarders. Call (301) 387-4911.

February TBA, 2001

MARYLAND STATE POLICE 3rd ANNUAL DEEP CREEK DUNK—Noon In Deep Creek Lake behind Uno's. $50 Minimum donation to dunk.Join hundreds of wacky dunkers as they brave the chilly waters of Deep Creek Lake in support of Maryland Special Olympics. Dunkers receive custom sweatshirt, free Uno's lunch and great prizes. One of the most unique events in Garrett County. Held snow or shine. Free admission. tschniedwind@somd.org or call (410) 290-7611.

February TBA, 2001

2001 SPECIAL OLYMPICS MARYLAND WINTER GAMES—Wisp. The public is invited to the Opening Ceremonies on Sunday. 175 Special Olympics athletes from across Maryland in the sports of Alpine Skiing, Cross Country Skiing and Modified Alpine Skiing. Volunteers are needed. mdsomail@somd.org or call (800) 541-7544.

March 10-11, 2001

MAPLE SYRUP "SAP-TO-SYRUP" DEMONSTRATION—Saturday 9 am - 3 pm at Swallow Falls State Park & Sunday 8 am - 3 pm at Herrington Manor State Park. Sap-to-syrup demonstration. Watch as we boil maple sap from Park trees into maple syrup. Fresh local syrup for sale. Free admission. hmsp@mail.gcnet.net or call (301) 334-9180.

March 11, 2001

MAPLE SYRUP PANCAKE BREAKFAST—Herrington Manor State Park, 8 am - 3 pm. Join us for an "all-you-can-eat" pancake breakfast with fresh maple syrup, sausage, coffee, juice and great company. Also observe the old-fashioned way of boiling sap-to-syrup. $5 adults; $2.50 children under 12. hmsp@mail.gcnet.net or call (301) 334-9180.

OTHER EVENTS—For more information on last-minute events held in Garrett County throughout the year, call or stop in at the Garrett County Visitors Center in McHenry or call the Chamber Office at (301) 387-4FUN(4386).

Dates were confirmed at press time, but circumstances may cause events to be changed. We suggest you confirm with contacts listed.

Ongoing Events & Activities

January thru December, 2000

GARRETT COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM—207 South Second Street, Oakland. Monday through Saturday, 11 am to 4 pm. Donation suggested. Call (301) 334-3226.

SIMON PEARCE TOURS—265 Glass Drive, Oakland. Factory open to visitors for self-guided tours of a glass blowing operation. Open 7 days a week, excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. Retail store on premises. Call (301) 334-5277.

March thru September, 2000

GARRETT LAKES ARTS FESTIVAL—Multi-disciplined performing arts and arts education for a wide range of interests...at all ages...and at a reasonable cost. Entertainment held at air-conditioned Garrett Community College (GCC) Auditorium, McHenry, unless otherwise noted. Schedule subject to change. glaf@gcnet.net or call (301) 387-3082.

Mar. 31 National Players, "A Few Good Men" 7:30 pm
April 14 Pittsburgh Ballet Theater School, 8 pm, Southern High School
April 28 Duke Spaulding and Co., Jazz Quintet, 8 pm
May 12 Cashore Marionettes, 8 pm
June 3 Footworks, Irish Dance, 8 pm
June 18 Brian Ganz, Classical Piano, 3 pm, Will O' The Wisp Sitzmark Room
July 1 Folk Concert with Barbara Martin Trio and Marc Carraway, 8 pm
July 2 Celebration of Garrett Co. Literary Arts, 2 pm
July 3 African Continuum Theatre Co. presents "Groovement" 7:30 pm
July 4 Garrett Community Band Concert, 7:30 pm
July 5-8 Tent Performances, 7 pm, GCC Lawn
July 8-9 Garrett Co. Art Show
July 10-14 Young Artist's Workshop, M-F 9:30-3:30, Fantasy Valley
July 16-21 Maryland Dance Arts Camp
July 17-21 Young Writer's Workshop, M-F 9:30-3:30, Fantasy Valley
July 29 Joker's Wild & Mountainaires Barbershop, 8 pm
Aug. 13 Annual Student Recital, 3 pm, GCC Auditorium or Will O' The Wisp Sitzmark Room
Aug. 18-19 Deep Creek Chamber Players, 8 pm
Sept. 2 Sweet Honey In The Rock, 8 pm
Sept. 3 The Cruisers, U.S. Navy Band, 4 pm, Deep Creek State Park
Sept. 17 Jospeh Lowe, 4:30 pm, Will O' The Wisp Sitzmark

(GLAF *events are funded in part by the Maryland State Arts Council and the Garrett County Arts Council*)

February thru December 2000

SPRUCE FOREST ARTISAN VILLAGE EVENTS—1 mile east of Grantsville on Rt. 40, near Penn Alps. tmorgan@spruceforest.org or call (301) 895-3332.

Feb. 11-12 - 1st ANNUAL CHERRIES AND CHILL FESTIVAL — 10 am to 5 pm. Spruce Artisan Village. This winter festival features "cherry-themed" activities, revolving around the history of the National Road, George Washington and the cherry tree legend. Admission FREE, donations welcome.

June 3 - Musician's Showcase, Noon
July 1 - Musician's Showcase, Noon
Aug. 5 - Musician's Showcase, Noon
Sept. 2 - Musician's Showcase, Noon
Sept. 16 - 5th ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK — "My Heart's in the Arts" 9 am. Features runners and walkers participating in 5K, 10K run or walk.
Oct. 7 - Musician's Showcase, Noon
Dec. 1-2 - 15th ANNUAL "CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE"— Friday 4-9 pm & Sat. noon-9 pm. Stroll through 75-year old spruce forest, visiting artisans' studios in authentic restored log cabins.

April 18, 20 & 22 and September 19, 21 & 23, 2000

HUNTER SAFETY COURSE—New Germany State Park, Lakehouse, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Tuesday & Thursday; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. For outdoor enthusiasts of all ages. Course will cover firearm safety, wildlife identification and conservation, hunting and game laws. $4 per person registration fee. Anyone interested must pre-register at (301) 895-5759.

April 23 and May 14, 2000

GUIDED WILDFLOWER WALKS—Potomac State Forest. View the natural beauty of spring wildflowers in the Lostland Run. Walks start at 2 pm in front of the Potomac Garrett office on Potomac Camp Road. Call (301) 334-2038.

May 1 - September 30, 2000

GARRETT COUNTY FISHING CONTEST—Co-sponsored by Johnny's Bait House and the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. Weekly winners receive an emblem and citation, awards given for the season's largest catches. All fish must be registered at Johnny's Bait House on Route 219 at Deep Creek Lake. Call (301) 387-6171.

May 1 - November 1, 2000

FRIEND FAMILY ASSOCIATION NATIONAL HERITAGE MUSEUM & LIBRARY—Wednesday, Friday & Saturday, 12-3 pm or by appointment. Depicts history of Friendsville, first settled by John Friend in the early 1760's, and of the surrounding area. Contains artifacts of early Indian dwellers. Library contains 700 general genealogical books and files on most local families, in addition to the Friend family. Located on Maple Street in Friendsville. www.iceweb.net/friendfamilyassoc. Call (301) 746-4690 or (301) 746-5615.

Memorial Day Thru Mid-August

PEN-MAR BASEBALL LEAGUE—Garrett Community College. Semi-professional baseball league founded in 1949 with teams from Maryland, West Virginia & Pennsylvania. Oakland has been in the league since 1973 and plays its home games at Garrett Community College. Free admission. gonderins @mindspring.com or contact Terry Helbig at (301) 334-3343.

Memorial Day Thru Labor Day

SAILBOAT RACING—Held on the southern end of Deep Creek Lake every weekend, Saturdays at noon and Sundays at 1 pm. Starts off Turkey Neck. Best viewed by boat. Call the Deep Creek Yacht Racing Association at (301) 387-7890 or (540) 869-7190.

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST— Discovery Center. "Bringing Natural Resources and People Together." Pick up an entry form at the Discovery Center. dclsp@mail2.gcnet.net Call (301) 387-7067.

Opens Memorial Day Weekend

BROADFORD RECREATION AREA OPENS—Mt. Lake Park, off Route 135 outside Oakland - Start the summer season off right at beautiful Broadford Park which offers swimming, fishing, picnicking and boating and many fun-filled hours for the whole family. Open 9 am to dusk. Call (301) 334-2691.

Memorial Day Weekend, July 4th Weekend and Labor Day Weekend

CHICKEN BAR-B-Q—10 am until they're gone. Deep Creek Volunteer Fire Dept. 1/2 BBQ chicken/ beans, cole slaw, roll & butter, iced tea, lemonade. $6 adults; $4 children.

June 2, 16, 23 & 30, July 7, 14, 21 & 28, August 4, 11, 18 & 28, 2000

SAVAGE RIVER RESERVOIR CANOE TRIPS—6-8:30 pm. Savage River State Forest. Relax on an evening canoe trip around the scenic Savage River Reservoir. These guided two-hour trips will focus on the forest resource surrounding the reservoir. Basic canoeing skills will be covered before and during the trip. Fee $5 per person, limited spaces available. Call (301) 895-5759 to register.

June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2, October 7, 2000

MUSICIANS' SHOWCASE— Local musicians sharing musical artistry. On the front porch of the 1835 Miller House at Spruce Forest. Tmorgan@spruceforest.org or call (301) 985-3332.

Sailboat racing on the southern end of Deep Creek Lake. © L. Bell

June 11 & July 9, 2000

LOSTLAND RUN HIKES—A 3.5 mile hike starting at the Potomac-Garrett Office and following the Lostland Run trail to the North Branch of the Potomac River. Featuring Cascade Falls and the Potomac Overlook. Meet in front of the Office on Potomac Camp Road at 2 pm. Call (301) 334-2038.

July 7, 14, 21 & 28; August 4 & 18, 2000

LITTLE YOUGH SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL—7-9 pm. Bring your folding chairs, your family and a picnic, if you wish, for outdoor live musical family entertainment at the Little Yough Summer Music Festival downtown Oakland. This event is sponsored by Greater Oakland Business Association, Stanley Smith Foundation WKHJ and the Garrett County Arts Council. Free admission. Check our website for scheduled performers: www.gcnet.net/goba or call Ken Perrin at (301) 334-3151.

Mid July thru October

MOUNTAIN FRESH TAIL-GATE MARKET—Mountain Fresh Pavilion, Oakland Town Parking Lot. Wednesday and Saturday 10 am. Fresh local seasonal fruit and vegetables, baked items, flowers, herbs and crafts.

July 8	Mt. Fresh Open Day
Sept. 2	Annual Mt. Fresh Corn Roast
Oct. 7	Mt. Fresh Pumpkin Fair
Oct. 13-14	Celebrate the Glory
Oct. 28	Last day of Mt. Fresh Market for the season.

js63@umail.umd.edu or call (301) 334-6960.

July 16-18, September 22-24 & October 6-8, October 13-15, 2000

WESTERN MARYLAND 4-H CENTER EVENTS—All events held at Western Maryland 4-H Education Center, Bittinger. All inclusive fees. pw82@umail.umd.edu or call (301) 334-6967.

July 14-16 - 2nd Annual Family Fitness is Fun Weekend.

Sept. 22-24 - Team Challenge Camp Weekend.

Oct. 6-8 - 11th Annual Family Camp Weekend.

Oct. 13-15 - Autumn Glory Family Campout.

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Year -Round Events

Second & Fourth Monday

WESTERN STYLE SQUARE DANCING—7 to 9:30 pm, the Mt. Top Promenaders Square Dance Club in the Broadford Elementary School Cafeteria. For information, call Louise and Doyle Biser (301) 334-9724.

BINGO

Elks BPOE 2481 - **Sundays,** Doors open 12:30 pm, Early Bird at 1:55 pm. Regular games at 2:30. All paper games. Located at 100 Elk Street, Oakland. Food available. No one under 18 admitted. Bingo held three Sundays per month. Call for confirmation, (301) 334-1119.

American Legion Bingo - **Mondays,** Door opens 5 pm, games start 7:30 pm. Grantsville American Legion Hall, off Dorsey Hotel Road, behind Casselman Inn, Grantsville. Call (301) 895-5247.

Deer Park V.F.W. - **Tuesdays**, Route 135, Early Bird 6:30 pm. Regular games 7 pm. Call (301) 334-9109.

Eastern Garrett Fire Department - **Tuesdays,** 7 pm. Take I-68 to Exit 29, Finzel. All games are played on paper cards so bring your dobber out for an evening of fun. Call (301) 689-5431.

St. Peter's Catholic Social Hall - **Wednesdays,** next to Courthouse on 4th Street, Oakland. Doors open 5 pm. Early Bird 6:30 pm. Regular games 7 pm. Food available. No smoking. All paper games. No one under 18 admitted. Call (301) 334-2202.

Oakland Volunteer Fire Company - **Thursdays,** 6:30 pm. Food available. All paper games. No one under 18 admitted. Third Street, Oakland. Call (301) 334-3535.

Southern Garrett Band Boosters - **Fridays,** National Guard Armory, 8th Street, Oakland. Doors open at 5:30 pm, all paper, smoke free games begin at 6:30. Regular, mystery #, bonanza and jackpot games. No children allowed.

Second Saturday of Each Month

"ALL YOU CAN EAT" SPAGHETTI DINNERS—4-8 pm. Eastern Garrett Volunteer Fire Dept., 401 Finzel Road, Frostburg, MD (Exit 29, I-68). Enjoy our famous spaghetti dinners with our secret sauce(homemade) along with Italian bread, tossed salad and coffee/tea "all you can eat". Adults $5; children 7-12 $2.50; 6 & under free. jraley@hereintown.net or call (301) 689-8388.

STATE PARKS—Campfires, nature hikes and identification, arts and crafts, tours and demonstrations, cross-country ski tours and races are sponsored by the Maryland State Parks. For information, contact any of the State Parks in the County:

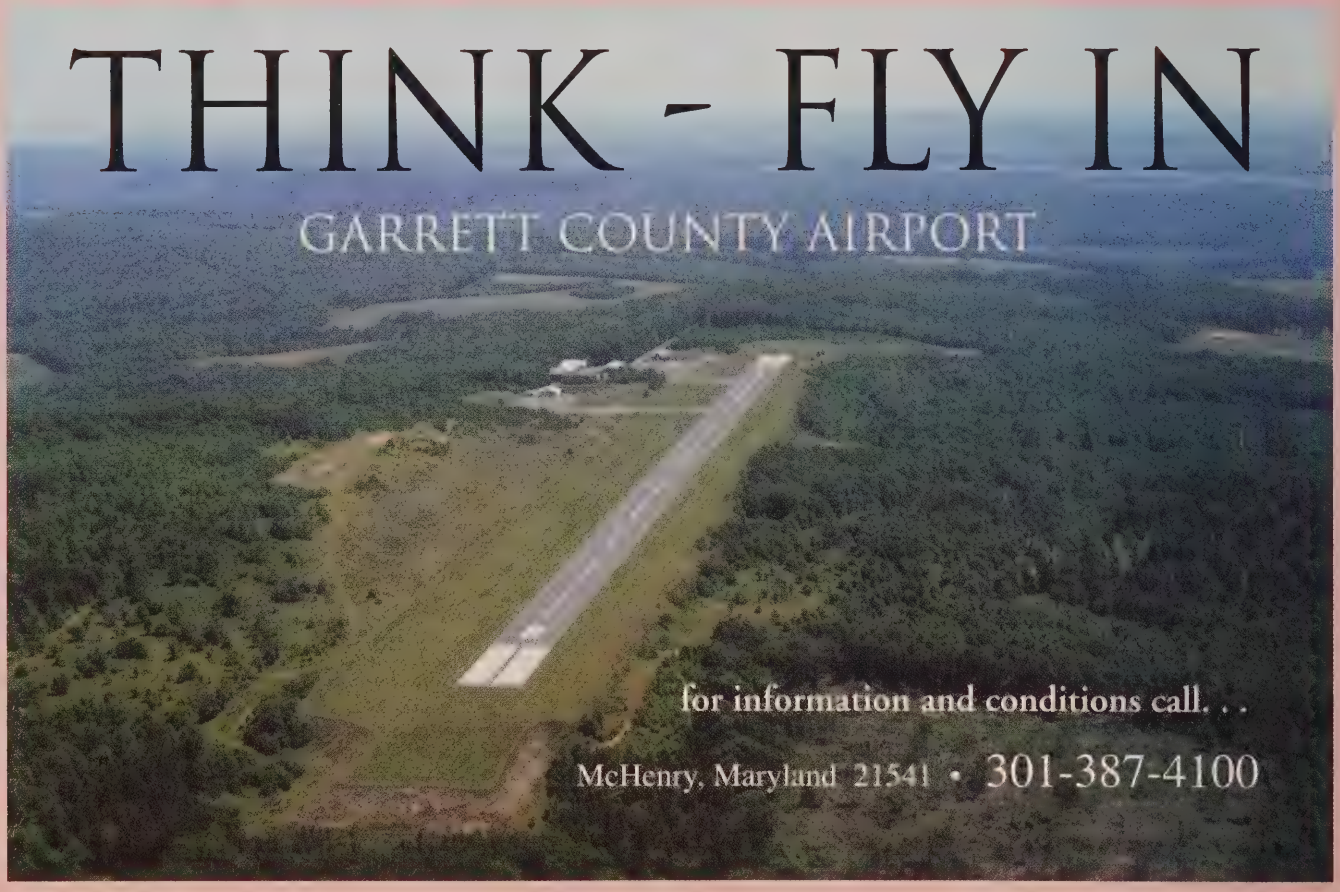
Deep Creek Lake State Park—
(301) 387-5563

New Germany State Park—
(301) 895-5453

Swallow Falls State Park—
(301) 334-9180

Herrington Manor State Park—
(301) 334-9180

Potomac/Garrett State Forest—
(301) 334-2038



Garrett County Facts

Garrett County forms the northwestern edge of Maryland. It is considered Maryland's mountaintop playground; one-fifth of the County consists of parks, lakes, and publicly-owned forest land. Deep Creek Lake, Maryland's largest inland body of water, is the focus of the County's recreation industry. Oakland, the County seat and business center, is 106 miles from Pittsburgh and 188 miles from Baltimore.

Garrett County's 808 businesses employ 8,235 workers; an estimated 14 of these businesses have 100 or more workers. Major private employers include Flushing Shirt Co., Harbison-Walker Refractories, The Data Entry Company, Inc., and the Mettiki Coal Corporation. Central Garrett Industrial Park, Southern Garrett Industrial Park, and Northern Garrett Industrial Park are State Enterprise Zones.

GENERAL INFORMATION

County Seat ..... *Oakland*
Government ... *Three commissioners elected at large for four-year terms*
Elevation ..... *Ranges from 900 to 3,300 feet above sea level*
Land area ..... *657 square miles*

DEEP CREEK LAKE

Elevation ..... *2,462 feet*
Area of lake at full pool ..... *3,900 acres*
Average depth ..... *26 ½ feet*
Maximum depth ..... *72 feet*
Summer surface temperature ..... *73° F*
Summer bottom temperature ..... *49° F*
Ice cover in mid-winter ..... *18 inches, approx.*

CLIMATE

Average yearly precipitation ..... *47.3"*
Average yearly snowfall ..... *82.0"*
Average summer temperature ..... *65.9° F*
Average winter temperature ..... *28.0° F*
Average duration of freeze-free period ..... *122 days*

Data is based on 30-year averages. Maryland State Office of Climatology.

LOCATION (Highway distance from Oakland)

	Miles	*Kilometers*
Baltimore, MD	188	303
Boston, MA	558	898
Chicago, IL	473	761
New York, NY	365	587
Philadelphia, PA	282	454
Pittsburgh, PA	106	171
Richmond, VA	234	377
Washington, DC	171	275

POPULATION

Year	*Garrett County*	*Western Maryland **	*Maryland*
1990	28,138	224,477	4,780,753
1995**	29,450	230,500	5,034,600
2000**	30,650	239,250	5,244,450
2005**	31,600	243,650	5,485,850
2010**	32,400	247,800	5,677,600
2015**	33,050	251,450	5,873,950

* *Represents Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties.*
** *Projection. (February, 1998). MD Office of Planning.*

Selected Areas (1996 Population)

Friendsville	607	Mt. Lake Park	2,042
Grantsville	523	Oakland	1,800

U.S. Bureau of the Census

POPULATION DISTRIBUTION (1996)

	Male		*Female*		*Total*	
Age	*Number*	*%*	*Number*	*%*	*Number*	*%*
Under 5	950	6.5	900	6.0	1,850	6.3
5-19	3,340	23.0	3,140	21.0	6,480	22.0
20-44	5,120	35.3	5,160	34.6	10,280	34.9
45-64	3,260	22.5	3,350	22.5	6,610	22.5
65+	1,850	12.7	2,370	15.9	4,220	14.3
Total	14,520	100.0	14,920	100.0	29,440	100.0

Estimated by the MD Department of Health & Mental Hygiene, Division of Health Statistics.

1997 EMPLOYMENT (By Places of Work)

Industry	*Annual Average Employment*	*Percentage*	*Average Weekly Wage*
Federal Government	77	0.8	$618
State Government	107	1.1	442
Local Government	1,247	12.9	482
Private Employment	8,235	85.2	377
Construction	691	7.2	413
Manufacturing	1,268	13.1	483
Transportation, Communication & Utilities	408	4.2	499
Retail Trade	2,034	21.0	247
Wholesale Trade	409	4.2	337
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	436	4.5	371
Services	2,460	25.5	324
Other	529	5.5	756
Total	9,666	100.0	393

Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Office of Labor Market Analysis & Information.

1997 EFFECTIVE BUYING INCOME

	Percent Households		
Distribution	*Garrett County*	*MD*	*U.S.*
Under $15,000	30.4	13.9	20.2
$15,000 - $24,999	22.6	12.9	15.9
$25,000 - $49,999	32.1	33.4	32.6
$50,000 - $74,999	11.8	23.7	19.0
$75,000 & over	3.1	16.1	12.3
Median Household	$23,643	$42,157	$34,618
Average Household	$29,211	$50,040	$43,956
Per Capita	$10,631	$18,353	$16,281
Total EBI (Millions)	$313	$94,010	$4,399,998

Note: Effective Buying Income is money income less personal tax and nontax payments. It is commonly known as "disposable income." Reprinted by permission;
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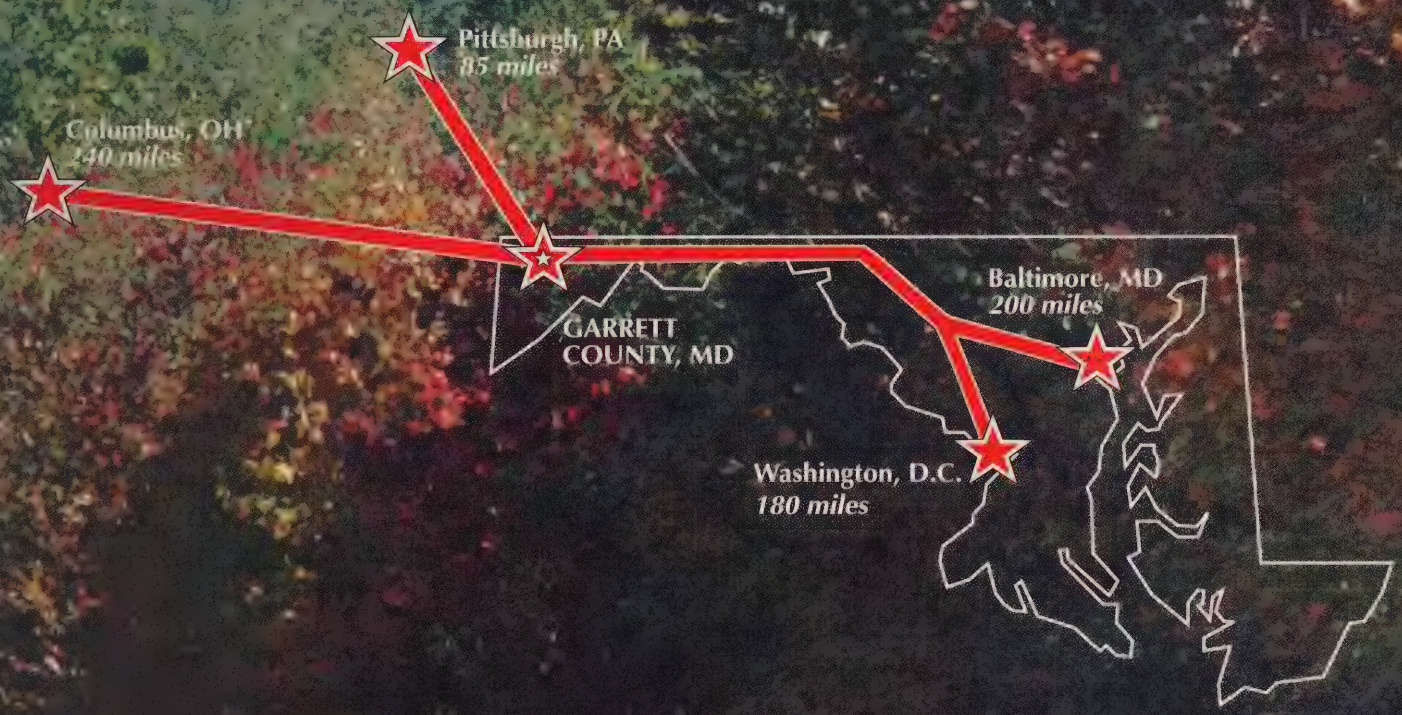
A Pretty Place

and We'll Prove It!



No matter how big or small, old or new, industrial or commercial—**Garrett County** wants to help you locate your business here in the tranquil mountains of western Maryland. We welcome the opportunity to show you the many advantages of living and working in our county. The area work force is second to none with a heritage of craftsmanship, pride, dependability, and loyalty that has echoed in these hills for generations. From **Garrett County** over 40% of the nation's population can be reached overnight. **Garrett County ... More than just a Pretty Place!**

E-mail: GCED@gcnet.net
Web Address: gcjobs.co.garrett.md.us
Garrett County Economic Development,
Oakland, MD 21550

301-334-1921

Garrett County Facts *(continued)*

EDUCATION

	Public Schools	Private Schools
Number:	9 Elementary 4 Middle/ Combined 2 High	6
Enrollment:	5,105 (1997-98)	177 (1997-98)
Cost Per Pupil:	$6,105 (1996-97)	
Staff/ 1,000 Students:	76 (1997-98)	

SAT Scores:
525 - Math; 506 - Verbal (1998)

Educational Attainment-age 25 and over:
High School Graduate or Higher 64.8%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher 9.5%

Career and Technical Education (CTE): The County secondary schools offer career/technical programs and include courses in agricultural production, carpentry, drafting, electrical operations, food management, general office services, machine tool operation, and mechanics. Some 850 students are enrolled in vocational/occupational courses. Garrett Community College also offers career and technical programs.

Higher Education: Garrett Community College, a two-year college, has an enrollment of approximately 700. More than 35,000 students are enrolled in 7 institutions of higher education within 60 miles of Oakland.

Maryland State Department of Education and Higher Education Commission; U.S. Bureau of the Census.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways: U.S. 40, U.S.50, U.S.219, and the National Freeway (I-68), with easy access to I-81 and I-79.

Rail: CSX Transportation.

Truck: 11 motor freight common carriers serve the County.

Air: Scheduled service at Morgantown, West Virginia (40 miles from Oakland) and Cumberland, Maryland (50 miles from Oakland). Charter service at Garrett County Airport near Deep Creek Lake.

Water: Served by the Port of Baltimore, 50' channel; a leading U.S. automobile and break-bulk port; 5 public terminals including a state-of-the-art container terminal; 190 miles from Oakland.

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GARRETT COUNTY AIRPORT—Located on Bumble Bee Road near McHenry, 2 miles from Deep Creek Lake and Wisp Ski area. Airport has a 3,000-foot asphalt landing strip with pilot activated runway lights for night fliers. Offers charter service, sightseeing rides, flight instruction, aerial photography, banner towing and ground transportation. For information, call (301) 387-4100.

GARRETT COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL—Located in Oakland, 1 block off Route 219 on the corner of 4th Street & Memorial Drive. Emergency Department provides 24-hour physician services. Inpatient areas include 61 Med/Surg beds, 7 obstetrical beds, 4 coronary/ intensive care unit beds, a progressive care unit, 4 pediatric beds and a fully-equipped surgical suite. Services available include outpatient surgery, cardiac treatment, dietary counseling, EEG and EKG testing, IV therapy, vascular lab services, ultrasound, laboratory, mammography, nuclear medicine testing, physical therapy, radiology, respiratory therapy, social work, blood pressure screening, Pacer clinic, positive parenting program, and community wellness programs. The Garrett County Health Department, with full services, is located in the hospital.

INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY—There are 3 industrial parks strategically located in the County ranging from 40 to 150 acres. Most sites are served by all utilities. All three parks are accessed from a State highway. The park in the southern part of the County has rail availability, while the sites in the northern part have ready access to the National Freeway (I-68). Prices for fully-developed industrial sites range from $6,500 to $12,500 per acre. All are designated State Enterprise Zones and priority funding areas.

LOCATION—Forty percent of the nation's population can be reached overnight by truck. Garrett County's location provides easy access to the mid-western, eastern and southern markets via the Interstate highway system. Garrett County offers very affordable, reliable, non-union, skilled labor, superb quality of life and a great business climate. There are a large number of skilled craftsmen in the local area. Local culture, heritage and the nature of life in Garrett County promote such skills. Absenteeism rates of 1-2% are not unusual and serve as a testament to the local work ethic.

To learn more about Garrett County and what it has to offer new and expanding businesses, contact the Garrett County Economic Development Office by phone at (301) 334-1921 or e-mail at GCED@gcnet.net or visit our web page at http://gcjobs.co.garrett.md.us

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UTILITIES

Electricity: The Allegheny Power System, and Somerset Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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Water: Municipal or County systems in Accident, Bloomington, Crellin, Friendsville, Gorman, Grantsville, Kitzmiller, Loch Lynn Heights, Mountain Lake Park, Oakland, and Shallmar.

Sewer: Municipal or County systems in Accident, Bloomington, Crellin, Deep Creek Lake, Friendsville, Gorman, Grantsville, Kitzmiller, Loch Lynn Heights, Mountain Lake Park, and Oakland.

Telecommunications: Local Carrier: Bell Atlantic - Maryland. Long Distance Carriers: AT&T, MCI WorldCom, Sprint, and over 250 additional carriers and resellers of WATS and MTS.

Internet Service Provider: Garrett Rural Information Cooperative.

LABOR AVAILABILITY

	Garrett County
Civilian Labor Force (1997 annual averages)*:	
Total Civilian Labor Force	15,279
Employment	13,270
Unemployment	2,009
Unemployment Rate	13.1%
Residents commuting outside the County to work (1997)**:	2,742 20.7%
Employment in selected occupations (1997)**	
Professional and Technical	1,555 11.7%
Manufacturing, Trade, and Distribution	5,172 39.0%

*By place of residence.
**Estimated based on percentages from the 1990 Census.
Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Office of Labor Market Analysis and Information; Maryland Office of Planning in conjunction with U.S. Bureau of the Census.

WAGE RATES

1997 Average

Selected Occupations:	Hourly Wage
Assemblers and Fabricators except machine	$8.26
Bookkeeping/ Accounting Clerks	9.16
Data Entry Keyers	7.72
Electrical Engineering Technicians	16.10
General Maintenance Repairers	10.40
Hand Packers	6.66
Helpers, Laborers, and Material Movers, Hand	9.69
Industrial Truck Operators	12.92
Machine Maintenance Mechanics	14.76
Machinists	10.45
Receptionists	8.30
Secretaries	9.94
Shipping/Receiving Clerks	9.96
Stock Clerks	9.48
Telemarketers	9.52

Note: *These wages are an estimate of what workers might expect to receive in Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties). Wages may vary by industry, employer, and locality. Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing & Reg., Office of Labor Market Analysis and Information.*

SELECTED EMPLOYERS

Firm— Product	Employment
All Pure Spring Water—*Bottled Water*	32
The Beitzel Corporation—*Metal Fabrication Products*	140
Cuppett-Weeks Enterprises—*Nursing Homes*	160
Demaree Inflatable Boats—*Rubber Boats*	17
Financial Computer Support, Inc.—*Computer Software*	50
First United National Bank and Trust—*Bank*	135
Flushing Shirt Uniform Co.—*Shirts*	240
Garrett Container Systems, Inc.—*Aluminum Containers*	30
Harbison-Walker Refractories—*Fire Clay & Brick Products*	80
Hobby House Press, Inc.—*Publication Distributor*	30
Mettiki Coal Corporation—*Processed Coal*	275
Phenix Technologies, Inc.—*High Voltage Testing Equipment*	55
Recreational Industries, Inc.—*Ski Resort Management*	150
The Data Entry Company, Inc. (TDEC)—*Data Processing Service*	175
Wood Products, Inc.—*Hardwood Lumber*	165
Yoder's, Inc.—*Meat Packing*	135

TAXES

Property Tax

(Fiscal 1999 - Per $100)	Garrett County	Maryland
Real Property Tax Rate	$2.59*	$0.21
Effective Rate (assessed at 40%)	$1.036	$0.084
Business Personal Property Tax Rate (taxed on depreciated value)	$2.59	$0.00
R&D machinery, equipment, materials & supplies.	Taxable**	$0.00
Manufacturing machinery, equipment materials and supplies	Taxable**	$0.00
Manufacturing R&D Inventory	Exempt	$0.00
Warehousing Inventory	Exempt	$0.00

Note: *For qualifying firms, Enterprise Zone incentives are available.*
*In addition to this rate, there are some miscellaneous taxes and/or special taxing areas in the County. In an incorporated area, a municipal rate will also apply.
**Upon application to the County, a new or expanding firm may be eligible for a tax credit.

Income Tax

State Corporate Income Tax - 7% on net income attributable to business transacted within Maryland. No County tax.

State Personal Income Tax - For 1999, the top tax bracket is 4.85%, on taxable income over $3,000, which is being reduced incrementally to 4.75% by 2002.

County Personal Income Surtax - For 1999, 50% of the State personal income tax liability calculated on the basis that the top marginal State tax rate is 5%.

Sales and Use Tax

State - 5% on tangible personal property sold at retail or used in Maryland. This tax does not apply to sales for resale. It does not apply to a manufacturer's purchase of raw materials nor manufacturing machinery and equipment.Tax exemptions for research and development firms include: purchases of materials and equipment used in R&D and testing of finished products, and purchases of computer programs for reproduction or incorporation into another computer program for resale.

County - None.

Maryland State Department of Assessments & Taxation; Comptroller of the Treasury.

Hotels, Motels, Condos

Hotel, Motel, Condo, or Conference Center Address/Phone	Refer To Ad On Page	Credit Cards	# Rooms/ Cottages/Condos	Conference/ Retreat	Air Conditioned	Handicap Accessible	Pets
Alpine Village Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5534 or 800-343-5253	118	Yes	29 Rooms 14 Cottages	No	Rms.-Yes Cot.-No	Rooms Yes	No
The Board Room Motel Oakland • 301-334-2126	65	Yes	13 Rooms, 1 Apartment	No	Yes	No	Yes
Casselman Inn Grantsville • 301-895-5055	111	Yes	44 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
Dreamland Motel Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-6696	65	Yes	10 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
Innlet Motor Lodge Deep Creek Lake • 800-540-0763 or 301-387-5596	67	Yes	20 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
Lake Breez Motel Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5503 Ext. 2206	70	Yes	10 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
Lake Side Motor Court Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5503 Ext. 2205	70	Yes	10 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
The Lodge at Sawmill Hollow Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-8455	147	No	7 Rooms	Yes	No	Yes	No
Long Branch Motel Mountain Lake Park • 301-334-4533	112	Yes	12 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
Oak-Mar Motel Oakland • 301-334-3965	68	Yes	24 Rooms	No	Yes	No	No
Panorama Motel & Efficiency Apartments Deep Creek Lake • 800-700-9257 or 301-387-5230	71	Yes	20 Rooms	No	Yes	No	No
Pine Oaks Lodge & Cottages Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5115	68	No	4 Rooms, 2 Cottages	No	Lodge Yes	No	No
Point View Inn Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5555	73	Yes	20 Rooms	No	No	Yes	No
Riverside Cafe - The Crows Nest Friendsville • 301-746-5244	112	Yes	2 Guest Suites	No	Yes	No	No
Savage River Lodge 301-689-3200 • www.savageriverlodge.com	74	Yes	Lodge & 18 Cabins	Yes	Lodge Yes	Yes	Yes
Starlite Motel Oakland • 301-334-8686	68	Yes	18 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
Swallow Falls Inn Oakland • 301-387-9348	147	Yes	3 Cabins	No	No	No	Yes
Town Motel Oakland • 301-334-3955	72	Yes	17 Rooms	No	Yes	No	No
Will O' The Wisp Prestige Condominiums Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5503 Ext. 2206	70	Yes	62-68 Rooms	No	Yes	Yes	No
Wisp Mountain Resort Hotel & Conference Center Deep Creek Lake • 800-462-9477 or 301-387-5581	75	Yes	102 Suites 66 Rooms	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

For more accommodations, see Vacation Rentals Section beginning on page 142

Privately-Owned Campgrounds

Campgrounds Address/Phone	Refer To Ad On Page	Credit Cards	# Sites	Electricity	Bathhouse	Pets
Double G Ranch McHenry • 301-387-5481	65	Yes	110	Yes	Yes	Yes
Glen Acres Swanton • 301-387-9596	68	No	107	Yes	Yes	Yes

Bed & Breakfasts

Bed & Breakfast Address/Phone	Refer To Ad On Page	Credit Cards	# Rooms/ Suites/Cabins	Air Conditioned	Handicapped Accessible	Pets
Carmel Cove Inn Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-0067	66	Yes	10 Rooms	Yes	No	No
Casselman Valley Farm Grantsville • 301-895-3419	65	Yes	3 Rooms	No	No	No
The Deer Park Inn Deer Park • 301-334-2308	65	Yes	3 Rooms	No	No	No
Elliott House Victorian Inn Grantsville • 301-895-4250 or 800-272-4090	67	Yes	4 Rooms 3 Cottages	Yes	Yes	No
Haley Farm B&B and Retreat Center Deep Creek Lake • 1-888-231-FARM(3276), 301-387-9050	69	Yes	5 Rooms, 5 Suites	Yes	Yes	No
Lake Pointe Inn Deep Creek Lake • 1-800-523 LAKE (5253), 301-387-0111	68	Yes	8 Rooms	Yes	No	No
The Oak & Apple Oakland • 301-334-9265	68	Yes	5 Rooms	No	No	No
Red Run Lodge Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-2626	117	Yes	6 Rooms, 2 Suites	Yes	No	No
Savage River Inn Deep Creek Lake • 301-245-4440	70	No	2 Rooms, 2 Suites	Yes	No	No
Streams & Dreams Retreat Deep Creek Lake • 301-3-TROUT-1, 301-387-6881	104	Yes	3 Rooms, 1 Cottage	No	No	No
Walnut Ridge Grantsville • Toll Free 888-419-2568 or 301-895-4248	72	Yes	2 R, 1 Suite, 1 Log Cabin	Yes	No	Yes

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lived near the present city of Brownsville, PA., supervised the work and his name was given to the trail.

Another Indian trail was the Glades Path, which came from the Potomac River area, over Backbone Mountain and ended at Oakland where it met two other trails. One of these trails was a north-south one; the present U.S. 219 follows the general route of this trail. The second one was called the Great Indian War Path. It ran roughly east and west through the County. In the mid-1700's an Indian trader named McCullough widened this path into a pack horse trail connecting Virginia settlements with the Ohio River at Wheeling.

The question often arises, "What happened to the Indians of Garrett County?"

It is known that the Shawnee Indians began moving into the Ohio territory about 1730; probably members of the other tribes did the same. However, there were some Indians who stayed here, made Garrett County their home, and eventually married into the early settlers' families.

GEOGRAPHY—Garrett County is located in the extreme western section of Maryland. It is bordered on the north by Pennsylvania and on the west and south by West Virginia. Roughly triangular in shape and containing 662 square miles, it is the second largest county of Maryland in land area. The Potomac River forms the southern boundary and meanders irregularly north-eastward to the Allegany County line. The 1990 population is approximately 40 persons per square mile. It is among the more sparsely populated counties in the state of Maryland.

The topography of Garrett County is largely mountains. All of the county lies within the Appalachian Plateau. The average elevation of the county is 2,300 feet above sea level. There are five main mountain ridges: Backbone Mountain, Savage Mountain, Meadow Mountain, Negro Mountain and Winding Ridge. The highest point in the county is Backbone Mountain, 3,360 feet. The lowest point, 900 feet, is in the middle of Savage River where it empties into the Potomac.

There is a continental divide in Garrett County. It runs along the

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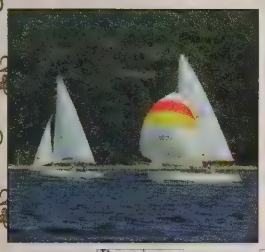

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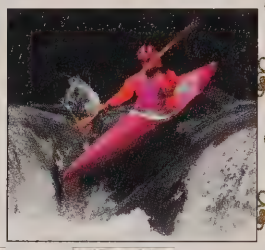

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crest of Backbone and Meadow Mountains; the water flowing down the east slope goes into the Chesapeake Bay via the Potomac River. The water on the west slope flows into the Gulf of Mexico, via the Youghiogheny, Monongahela, Ohio, and Mississippi Rivers. The main tributary of the Potomac is the Savage River on which a large flood control dam was built. The Casselman River is the main tributary of the Youghiogheny.

ECONOMY—Garrett County's economy is influenced by numerous sectors. There have been recent growths in manufacturing. Several new companies have started operations recently and others have significantly expanded their operations. In all, there are 60 some manufacturers located throughout the county.

The dramatic growth in tourism-related business has positioned this sector as an extremely integral part of Garrett County's economy. The continued future growth of recreation-tourism related businesses may well be the driving force behind Garrett's economic well-being.

Other sectors that have an important role in Garrett County's economy are natural resource based industries (mining, timber, farming, water-resource based, etc.). The County has the State's only deep-mining facility in Maryland, the Mettiki deep-mine, which employs approximately 300 persons. Numerous sawmills process the abundant supplies of hardwoods found locally. Several other companies bottle the mountain spring waters that originate here.

INCORPORATED TOWNS—There are eight incorporated towns in Garrett County: Accident, Deer Park, Friendsville, Grantsville, Kitzmiller, Loch Lynn Heights, Mountain Lake Park and Oakland. They provide various services within their jurisdiction and levy property taxes to meet their expenses. Each town has a mayor and council chosen in non-partisan elections. County voting registration does not include municipal voting privilege, and municipal elections are not held simultaneously with county & state elections. Citizens should consult their municipal authorities to determine where and when to register for municipal elections and when elections are held.

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GARRETT COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM— Located on Second Street in downtown Oakland, the museum can be identified by a large sign over the doorway saying, "Garrett County Historical Society and Museum." The building serves as the headquarters for the Garrett County Historical Society as well as a 10 room museum displaying artifacts from Garrett County.

Formed in 1941, the Society accepted the challenge of recording the history of Garrett County and the immediate surrounding area which had an influence of the County's history. The Society publishes collected historical information in its quarterly publication, *The Glades Star*. (The magazine's name recalls a Garrett County newspaper by the same name which was published at the time of the County's formation in 1872.)

After the Society's formation in 1941, it soon became apparent that recording County history also included the preservation of artifacts. In November 1969, the Society opened its first museum, and it served as a center for visitors to the building as well as people interested in the genealogical library. After

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25 years, the building became so crowded that it was necessary to have a larger one, and the Second Street property was purchased.

Many artifacts which are important to the historical and cultural development of Garrett County are preserved in the museum's collection. They are tastefully displayed in 10 different rooms.

One particular display, the Indian artifact collection has arrow heads which date back to the Archaic Period of Indian Culture. They are from a shelter cave in the northern part of the County where a small group camped each year during the summer.

Contained in the military collection are uniforms, guns, and all types of memorabilia from Civil to Gulf War times. A display in this collection centers on items from the U.S.S. Garrett County, an LST which served in the U.S. Navy from WWII to the end of the Vietnam War.

Admission to the museum is free, although donations are gratefully accepted. Please call the Museum for hours of operation. Group tours can be arranged by telephoning (301) 334-3226 or writing to the Society at 107 S. Second Street, Oakland, MD 21550.

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The Casselman River Bridge, built in 1813 on Route 40 east of Grantsville, was the largest single-span stone arch bridge of its kind at the time of construction. The bridge offers excellent photographic

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Grantsville also boasts Penn Alps, originally an 1818 stagecoach stop on the National Road (Route 40), just east of town. Penn Alps is now a restaurant and craft shop, which is the largest handicraft marketing facility in this mountain region. The adjacent Spruce Forest Artisan Village contains restored log cabins, school houses, a church and other rustic buildings which house a variety of working artisans during the year, Monday-Saturday. The village is closed on Sundays.

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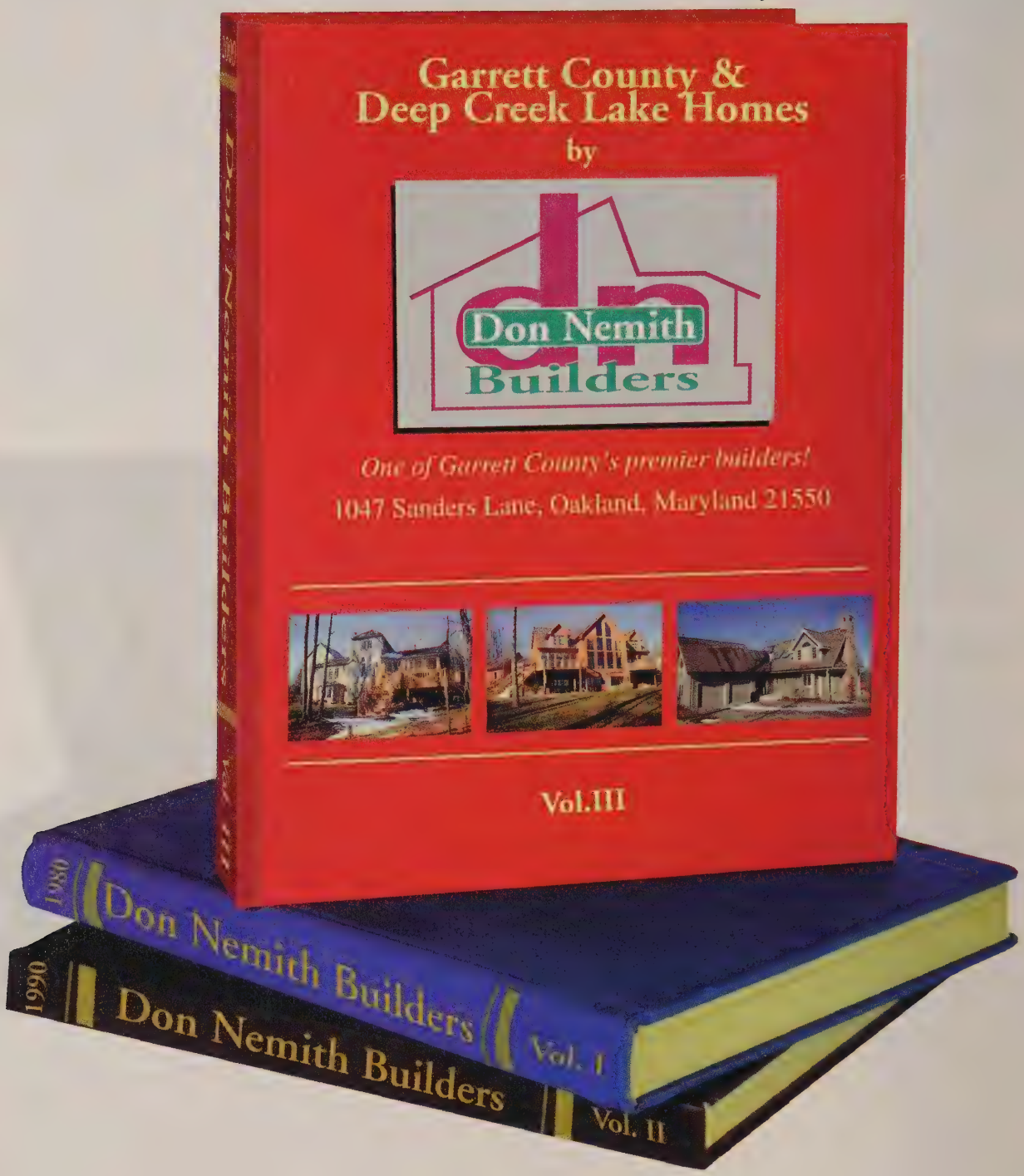

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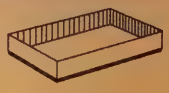

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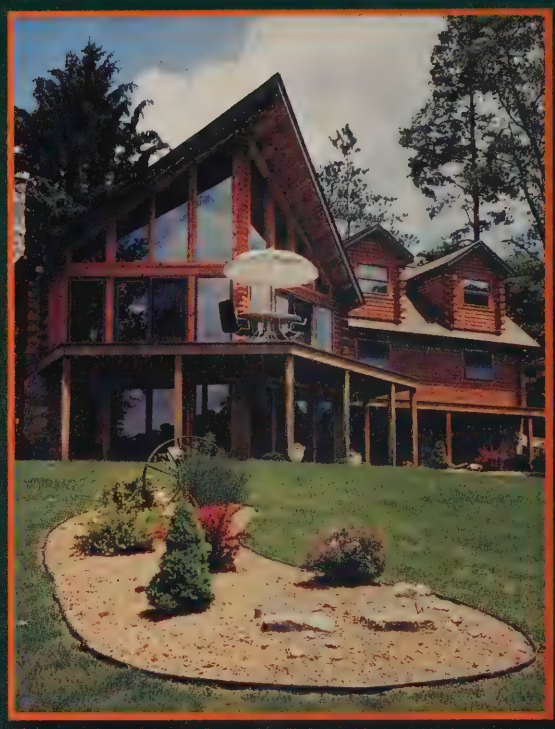

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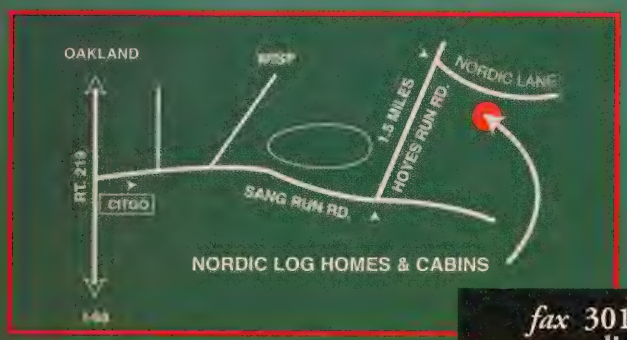

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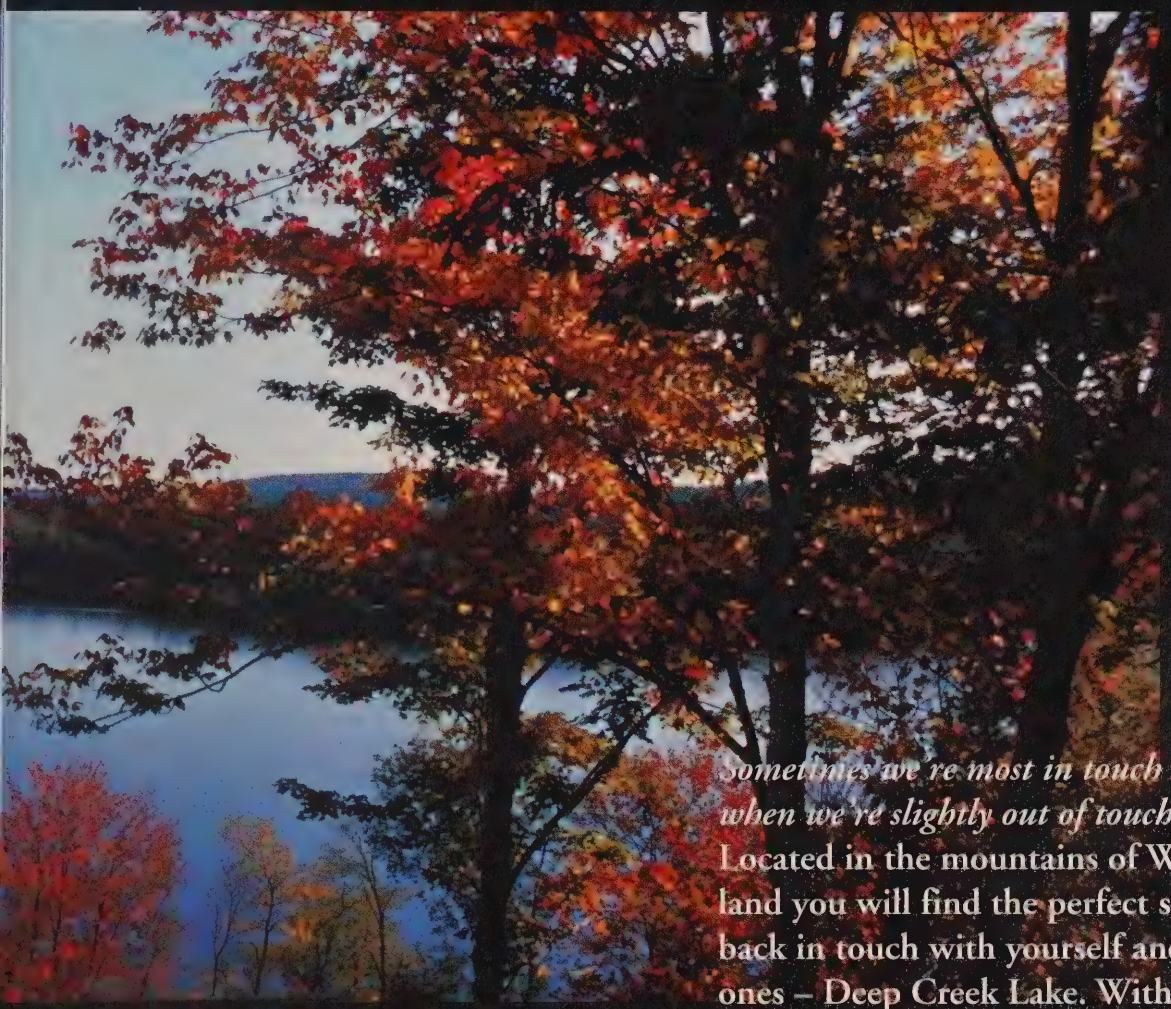

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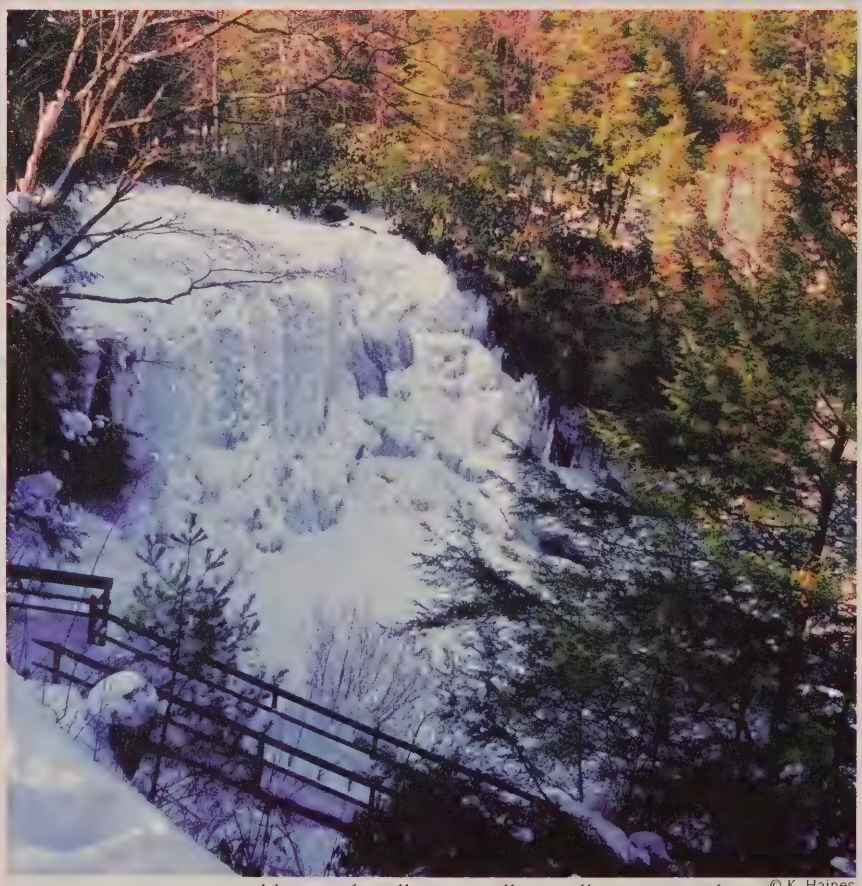

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Seneca Trail was the name given to the north-south Indian path that

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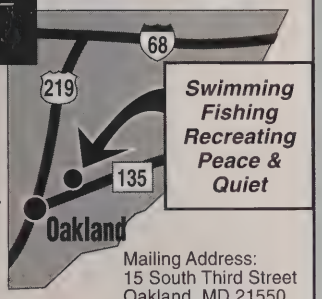

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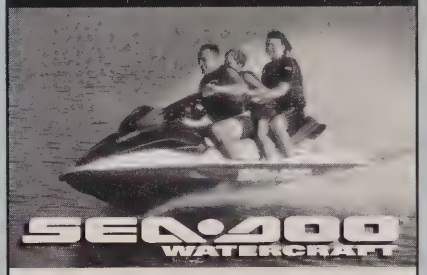

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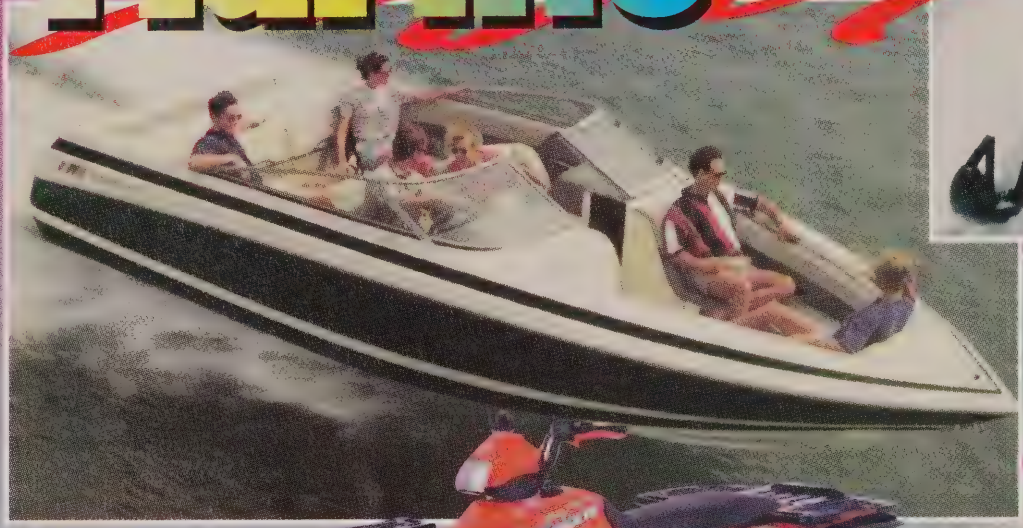

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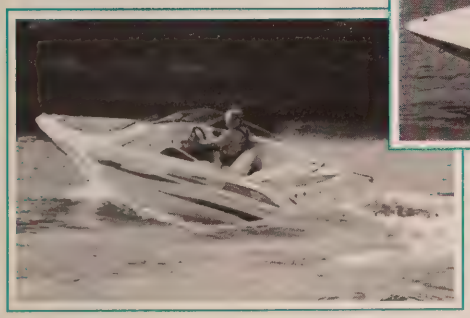

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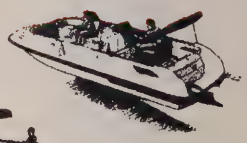

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also came through the Oakland area. Crossing the Glades at its narrowest point this path intersected the Glades Path and McCullough's Path on the western edge of what is now Oakland. This north-south trail is paralleled by U.S. 219 as it comes through Garrett County.

A third Indian trail, running east and west through the County, was known as the Glades Path. Its western terminus was the point where it intersected the other two on the western edge of the area which is now Oakland. This trail was a popular route followed by travelers since it gave easy access to the Savage River area and the Potomac River valley.

Eventually, the narrow spot in the "Glades Country" became so well known that the settlement which grew up at the intersection of the three trails was first called "Glades." Later, in 1849, when the town began to develop, the name was changed to "Oakland."

Current existing sites of interest in Oakland include the Garrett County Courthouse, built in 1908; the Garrett County Historical Museum on Second Street; the B&O Railroad Station, "The Church of the Presidents" (St. Matthew's Episcopal Church) on Liberty Street; and the Ruth Enlow Library. See other entries in this book for additional information on other attractions.

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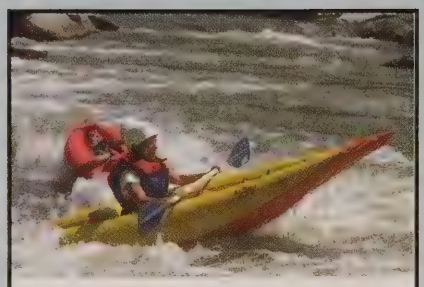

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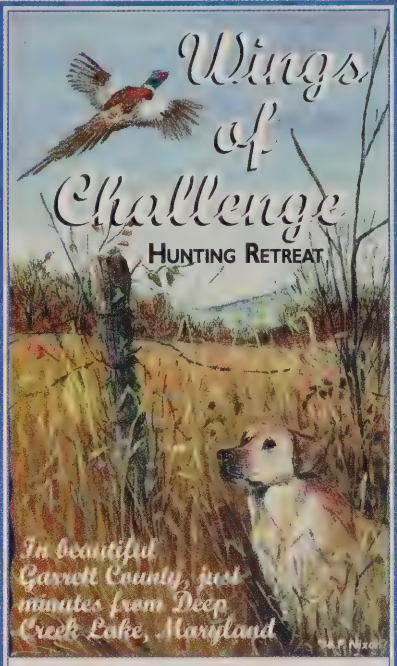

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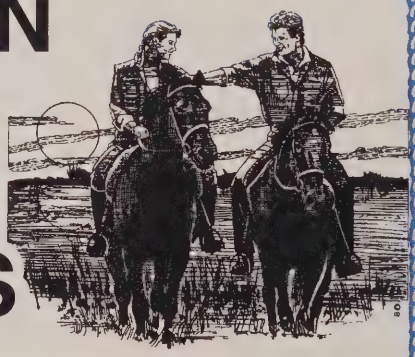

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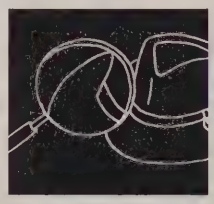

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Black Bear Restaurant McHenry • 301-387-9400	110	M-Th 8a-10p F&S 8a-4a	C Beer/Wine	B/L/D	No
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BoardRoom Family Restaurant & Lounge Oakland • 301-334-2129	109	Open M-S at 10a	C Beer/Wine	L/D	Yes
Boardwalk at Point View Inn Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-8311	73	M-S Noon-2a	Yes	L/D	No
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Cafe 219 Market Square McHenry • 301-387-4075	125	8a-3p	No	B/L All Day	No
Canoe on the Run Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5933	109	Open 7 days	Beer/Wine	B/L/D	No
Casselman Restaurant Grantsville • 301-895-5266 (closed Sundays)	111	Win. 7a-8p Sum. 7a-10p	No	B/L/D	Yes
Cinema Grill Restaurant Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-4343	111	5p-?	Beer/Wine	D	No
Cornish Manor Restaurant & French Bakery Oakland • 301-334-6499	111	Tues-Sat. 11a-2p, 5p-?	C/E	L/D	Yes
Courtyard Lounge at McClive's Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-6172	115	Sum. M-S Win. F-S	Yes	L/D	No
Deep Creek Brewing Company Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-2182	113	11:30a-11p	C	L/D	No
The Deer Park Inn Deer Park • 301-334-2308	112	Varies Sum/Win.	C Beer/Wine	D	Yes
Denny's Restaurant Oakland • 301-334-8666	112	Open 24 hrs/day	No	B/L/D	No
Dr. Willy's Seafood Carry-out/Market Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-7380	111	April-Oct 11a-8p	No	L/D	No
Four Seasons Dining Room at Will O'The Wisp Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5503 Ext. 2201	115	7a-9:30p 7 Days	C	B/L/D	Yes
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Pizzazz Pizzeria at Wisp Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-9866	116	S-Th 10:30-11 F-S 10:30-12	Beer/Wine	L/D	No
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Savage River Lodge 301-689-3200 • www.savageriverlodge.com	74	Call for Hours	C	B/L/D	Yes
The Silver Tree Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-4040	118	M-S 5-10p Sun 4-10p	C	D	No
The Silver Tree Harbor Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-5524	118	M-S 12-12 Closed Sun.	Yes	L/D	No
Smiley's Pizzeria @ The Fun Zone Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-0059 (Deliver)	105	Open 7 Days	Beer/Wine	L/D	No
Subway/TCBY Oakland • 301-334-5259	128	10a - 10p	No	L/D	No
Uno Restaurant & Bar Deep Creek Lake • 301-387-4UNO	119	M-Th 11a-12a F-S11a-1a	C	L/D	No
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SPRUCE FOREST ARTISAN VILLAGE—Original log cabins, as well as numerous other rustic structures, comprise the Spruce Forest Artisan Village, located next to Penn Alps on Route 40 east of Grantsville. These buildings serve as work and display areas for crafts-

men such as spinners, weavers, potters, stained glass workers, wood sculptors & bird carvers. In summer, the Miller House & Compton School are hosted by volunteers. The Village is open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. year round. The Village is the home of the Summerfest & Quilt Show in mid-July.

YOUGHIOGHENY OVERLOOK INFORMATION CENTER— This Center features information on all areas within the State of Maryland. Brochures are available at this State Center which is open year 'round, seven days a week 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily.

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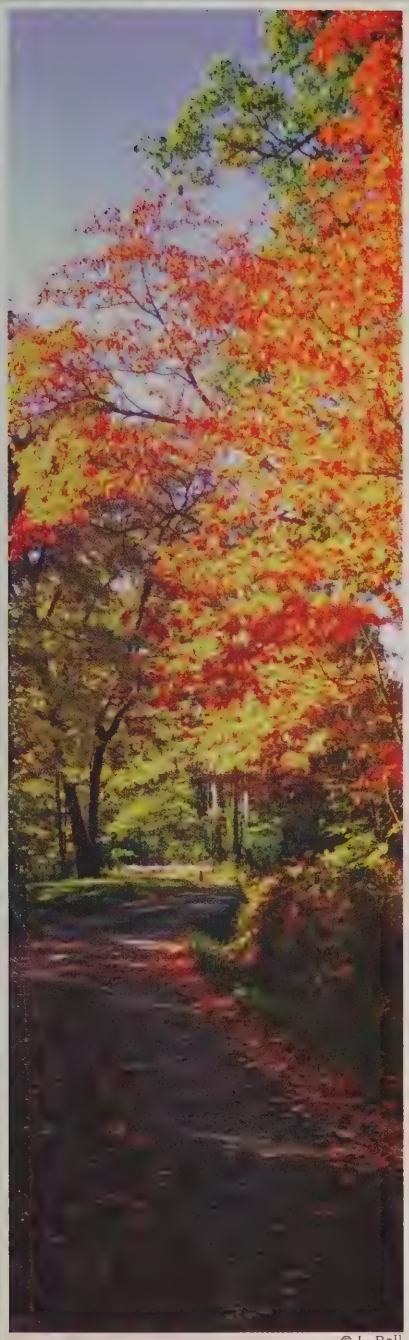
Tomlinson's original plan was to harness the water from near-by Indian Spring Run. However, he soon realized that with a short extension of the mill race, he could tap into the water of the Casselman River at the upper end of the "U". Then, by locating his grist mill on the high bank at the lower end of the loop, he could take advantage of the 20 foot elevation drop to power the waterwheel at the mill.

The result was that even with a low water level in the river during the summer months, there would still be adequate water for operating the mill.

Today, a visitor to the Spruce Forest Artisan Village complex can still see the mill race as it runs under the old National Road, U.S. 40 and Interstate 68.

Stanton's Mill operated as an independent business until three years ago when it was purchased by the Spruce Forest Artisan Village group. At that time, it was the oldest, continuous operating business in Western Maryland. Present plans call for rejuvenation of the mill race, the water wheel and the turning of Stanton's Mill into a museum.



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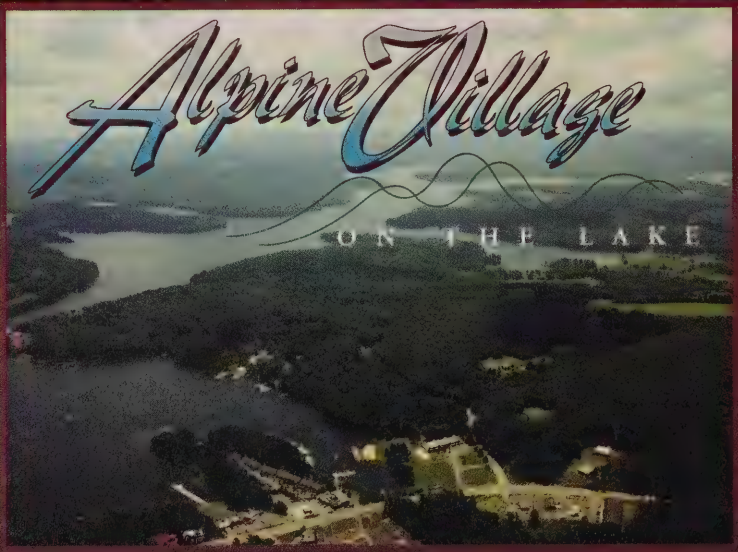

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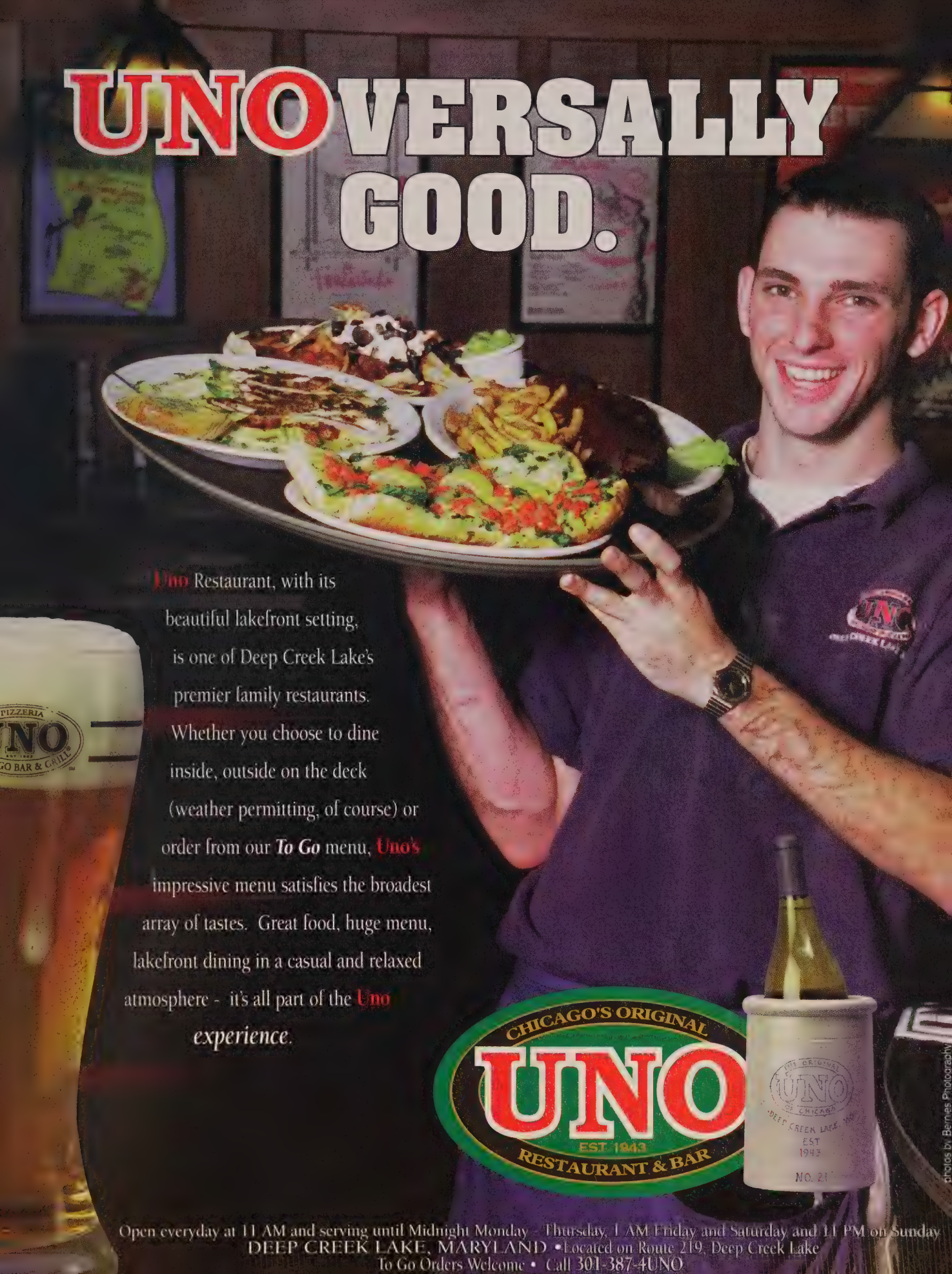
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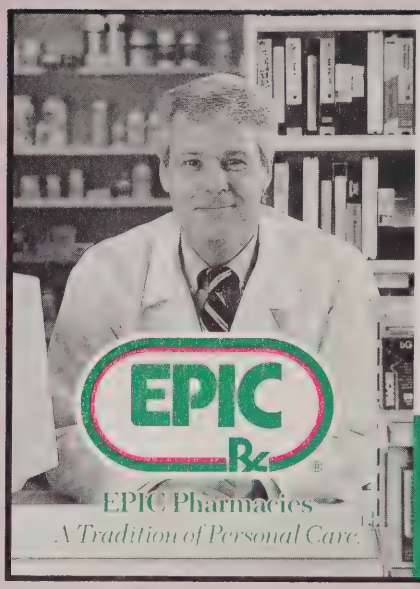

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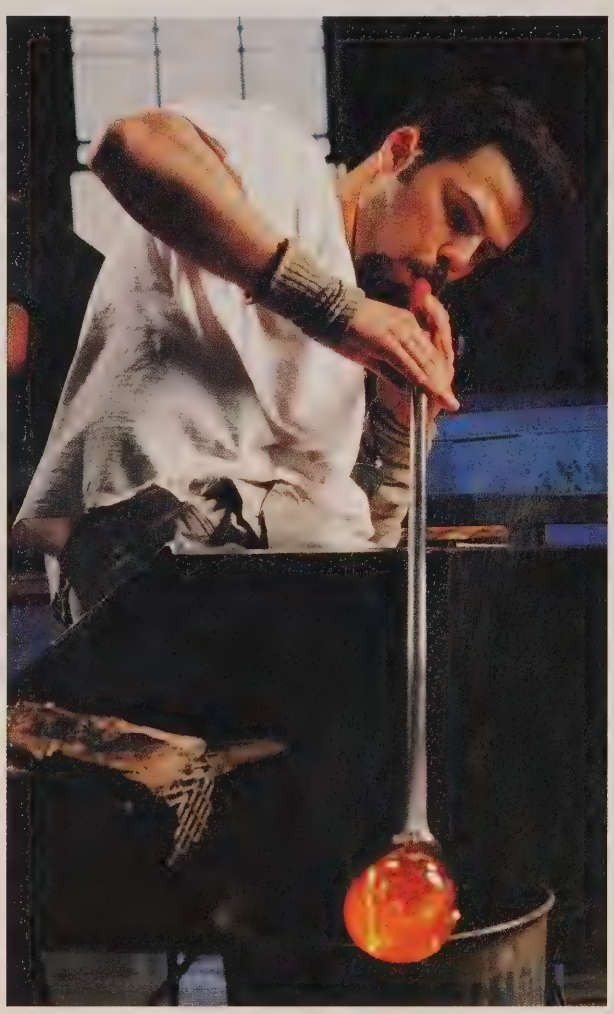

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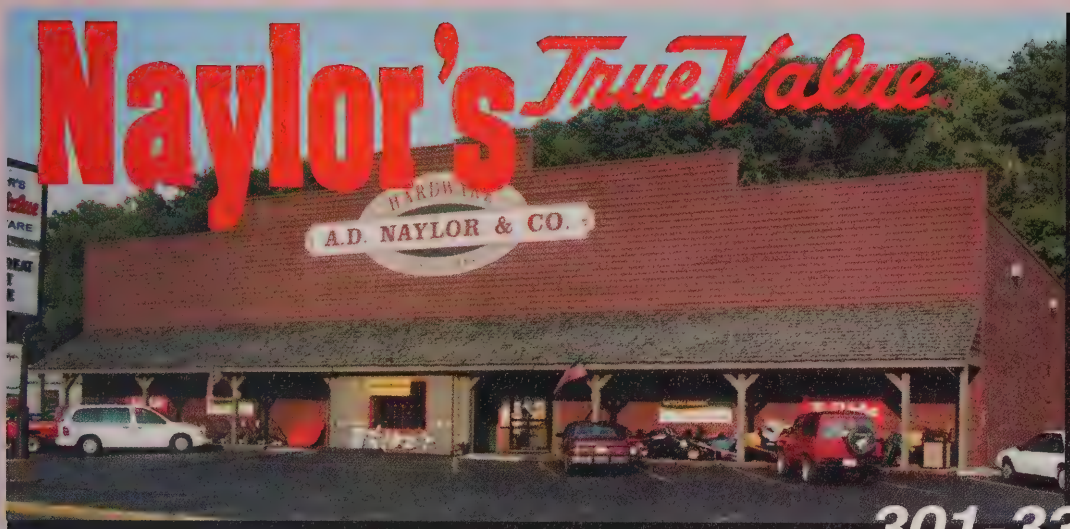

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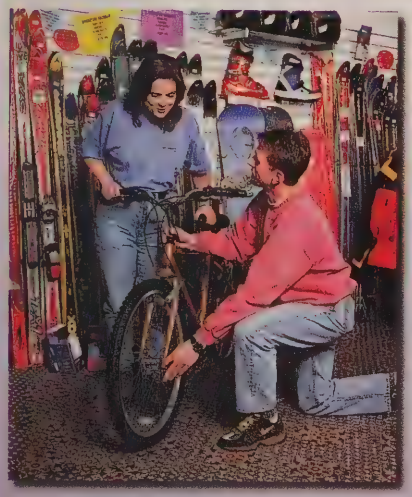

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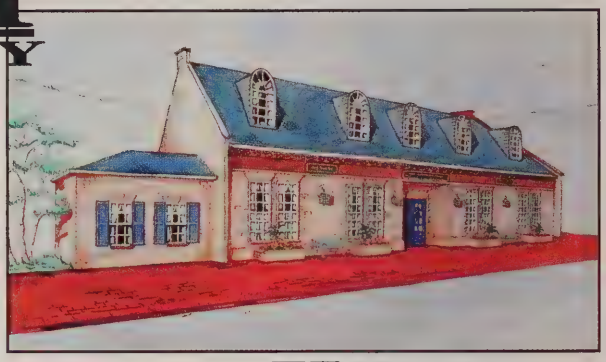

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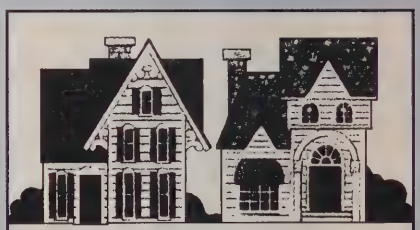

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Vacation Rentals

Please make all reservations with owners or managers!

Vacation homes are generally rented by the week from Saturday to Saturday. Bring your own linens unless otherwise stated. Please do not ask the Chamber of Commerce for recommendations. The Chamber prints the listing as provided by the owners or managers.

For last-minute information call the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce at (301) 387-4FUN.

The prices for some rentals may change at the beginning of the year (January).

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Vacation Homes

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A Timberlake Rental

See ad on page 143

A Twin Hearths Lodge

Cozy chalet featuring lovely wooded view from decks. 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, stone fireplaces in upper and lower family rooms with 2 color TV's, VCR and CD player. Kitchen area includes island-counter range, built-in oven, microwave, dishwasher, telephone and all small appliances. Sleeps 8. Minutes from Wisp, Lake, State Parks, Yough River fishing and Golf courses. A true home away from home. Rates are $475.00 per week, $150.00 per weekend night year 'round. Call or write: Deborah Harby, 3911 Fait Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21224. (410) 732-3378

Acorn Acres

Ideal family vacation site with dock on Beckman's Peninsula. Two stone cottages nestled in a wooded setting on lakefront property; just a short walk to the lake. Cottages each sleep 6, rent separately or together. Furnished except linens and towels. Small pets accepted. Rent (Saturday to Saturday) Separately $600 & $650. Together $1150 per week. Two-day weekend separately $225 & $250 or together $450. Tax is additional. Bill Pentz (301) 387-9435.

Al and Ev's Timber Trails Lodge

Charming 3 BR/2 BA cottage, newly renovated, featuring satellite TV, sleeps 6. The great room has a stone fireplace (firewood supplied). Island counter/bar serves as informal gathering place. Dishwasher, microwave, built-in oven, all necessary utensils, small appliances. Washer/dryer, VCR, stereo and telephone. 10 minutes from Wisp skiing and golfing, the Lake's fishing, boating. Yough River's fishing and whitewater rafting. $500 weekly year round; $125 weekend nights. Call for mid-week specials. Evelyn Orsini (301) 620-9250.

Al's On The Bend

Spacious chalet on Glendale Road near restaurants and State Park. Three bedroom, two and a half baths, large kitchen, living room with fireplace, family room with wood stove, CA TV/VCR, bumper pool, laundry, large deck and huge yard. Great location, quiet yet easy access to entertainment and stores, only minutes to ski slopes. Dock slip available. $650 week peak, $525 off season, $300 weekend. Greg/Debbie Boyer 301-293-1952. email: 100304.3061@compuserve

#16 Arrowhead

Lakefront luxury TH, 3 bedrooms with Queen beds, 3 baths, whirlpool tub, steam shower, family room with fireplace, 2 decks, complete kitchen, stereo, CD player & VCR. Excellent location close to restaurants, cinema and shopping. 5 minutes to Wisp skiing and golf. $775/week in season, $575/week off-season. Contact Gwen Fitzgerald at (703) 556-8816.

Avalon West

4 bedroom redwood chalet; quiet wooded area; beach and marina access, dock available. Sky Valley. Fully equipped, 2 decks, fireplace, VCR SAT/TV, microwave, dishwasher, telephone, 2 baths, electric heat. Available year round. Short drive to Wisp. Summer and ski season $520 per week, $295 per weekend. Spring and fall rates lower. Bring linens. Pets allowed. Contact: Mel Lewis, 1311 Beckett Court, Bel Air, MD 21014. (410) 879-3033.

Betsy's Woodland

Beautifully furnished, modern hillside pinewood home. Quiet, off lake! 3 minutes from Wisp. Available year-round. 3 levels. Master bedroom w/queen. 2nd bedroom w/twins. Loft w/twins. Queen sleep sofa. 2 full baths. Fully equipped kitchen. Washer/dryer, color TV w/cable and VCR. Stone fireplace. Lots of deck, covered porch w/swing and view. Summer $520/week; $420/4 day - 3 night weekend. Winter-ski season rates: $740/week; $515/4 day - 3 night weekend; $415/3 day - 2 night weekend. Special off-season and weekday rates. Contact Betsy Thomas, 13116 Andrew Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20904. (301) 384-5652. No Pets. No Smoking. Bring own linens.

Blackberry Ridge

Charming modern cottage next to New Germany State Park. One bedroom, full kitchen, great room, stone wall den with pellet stove, screened porch. Accommodates families of 2-4 people. Includes linens, games, TV, two mountain bicycles. Perfect, private retreat for cross-country skiing, hiking, fishing, antiquing and biking. Near Grantsville. Adjoins Savage River State Forest. Rates for 2 people $500 weekly; $125 nightly with two night minimum stay. Available year round. Smoke free; No pets. Contact: S. Kazary 13556 Westernport Road, Grantsville, MD, 21536. (301) 895-3138, Fax (301) 895-4123. skazary@mindspring.com

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A Timberlake Rental

Find out how great a vacation can be with these two exclusive homes on Deep Creek Lake.

Castaway Cottage

A completely remodeled, romantic cottage getaway—perfect for the couple looking for a private, cozy escape. Pine bedroom features queen bed and a flickering gas fireplace. On the deck, soak in a hot tub as you watch the moon rise over the lake. Linens included.

Vintage Timberlake Cabin

Escape to the simple pleasures of lake country. Once in a while you will find a place that is the perfect mix of yesterday and today. Timberlake Cabin, nestled among tall oaks, offers the best of both eras with stone fireplaces, a new oak kitchen and oversized jacuzzi tub. This log home also has a pavilion with fireplace and hot tub overlooking the lake, making it the perfect gathering place for family and friends. Linens included.

Each unit features:
Lakefront with dock—excellent water year-round for fishing, boating and swimming. Lakeside hot tubs and fireplaces.

Rates

Castaways

	Week	Weekend	Extra Night
Winter	$690	$415	$80
Spring	620	390	55
Summer	850	-	-
Fall	690	415	80

2 BR, Sleep Sofa, 1 BA, Hot Tub, Gas FP, Dock, W/D, PH, Cable TV, VCR, AM/FM - CD, D/W, AC, Jenn-Air, Micro-Convection Oven, Grill

Timberlake

	Week	Weekend	Extra Night
Winter	$1100	$575	$130
Spring	900	550	105
Summer	1350	-	-
Fall	900	550	105

3 BR, 2 BA, Jacuzzi, Hot Tub, FP, Dock, Pavilion, W/D, PH, Cable TV, VCR, AM/FM, D/W, Micro, Grill

Timberlake Rentals 301•387•0336
19139 Garrett Highway, Oakland, MD 21550

#68 Bright Passage, VOW

6-8 can enjoy spectacular year-round views from our townhouse on the side of Marsh Mountain on a quiet dead end street. Central to Deep Creek Lake activities. Ski directly from the back door to Wisp's Main Street slope. Relax in front of the fireplace (wood supplied) or in the HOT TUB for 7. 3 levels with decks, 3 full baths, 2 bedrooms, entertainment center with VCR/TV, stereo/CD, fully furnished and in mint condition. NO SMOKING. NO PETS. RATES: $675-$825 weekly. $350-$475/weekend. Call Clint Bradley (301) 277-2470 for additional information.

Brookside Guest Cottage Streams & Dreams Retreat

15 acres of vacation value distinguished in its tranquil setting by Yock R. "One of the best back yards around." Waterfalls, trout brook, pond, park-like wooded trails, huge lawn, picnic area, kid's playground, island gazebo, all just 4 miles from Wisp. Private, modern 3-BR (full/twins/twins) w/pullout sofa sleeps 6-8 comfortably. Fireplace, full kitchen, 1 bath, phone, VCR. Covered parking, screened deck, grill. NO PETS/SMOKING. Linens extra. Peak $695/wk, $350/wknd. Reduced rates remainder of year. Brochure and website available. Angler/hiker's dream. Unforgettable. See ad on page 104

Das Schlafchen

Attractive, comfortable, lakefront house on Harvey's Peninsula. Large front porch overlooking lake, 3 bedrooms, large living room with native stone fireplace, dining-kitchen area, fully furnished. Cable TV; telephone; private dock. Accommodates 6. Rates: $525/week/4, $35 each additional person; weekends $80 per night, plus tax, deposit required. No winter rental. Contact: Ruth V. Wilt or Mary P. Marsh, 4824 Dry Run Road, Swanton, MD 21561. Phone (301) 245-4119.

Doc's Folly

Two lovely, secluded, level, waterfront homes on a quiet cove of Turkeyneck (6 occupancy & 10 occupancy) cul de sac on private road. Approximately 4 acres with 1,000 feet of shoreline. Individual docks - shared tennis court - linens provided - dishwasher - microwave - cable TV & VCR - fireplace -outdoor deck & grills. Weekly, monthly, seasonal rentals. Security deposit. Phone 301-387-6757 9am to 9pm only.

Drake's Nest, Robin's Rest

Two 3 bedroom chalets. Lakefront with beautiful views of Wisp ski slopes. Sleeps 8-10, fully equipped kitchen, 2 baths, washer/dryer, CATV, phone, fireplace, deck, dock, grill and tot lot. Excellent enclosed swim area. Minutes from skiing, Swallow Falls, horseback riding, whitewater rafting, golf, fairgrounds, amusements, shopping and restaurants. Weekly rates include Summer ($850), Winter($595), Mid-season($495), and Off-season($400). Weekend rates range from $195-$335; special mid-week rates. Free brochure. Contact Larry Rosen (301) 896-0071 or Jerry Drake (301) 924-2323, at 19010 New Hampshire Avenue, Brinklow, MD 20862.

Elliott House Victorian Inn Bed & Breakfast

See ad on page 67

Glen Acres

Charming cottages in picturesque wooded setting on lakefront property. Dockage, sandy beach with gradual slope on quiet cove. Livingroom with woodburning fireplace, fully equipped kitchen, bath/shower and 2 bedrooms. Completely furnished except for linens. Each cottage accommodates family of 4-6. Rate $500/week/4 persons. $25 each additional. No Pets. Located 2 1/2 miles off U.S. Rt. 219 on Glendale road. 2 miles from Deep Creek Lake State Park. Open May 12 - October 16. Telephone (301) 387-9596 Office or (301) 387-5149 Home. 218 Glen Acres Road, Swanton, MD 21561.

Glendale Road

Spacious log home in private wooded setting, just minutes from State Park and Wisp Resort. Fully-equipped kitchen, microwave, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, W/D, cable TV, VCR, fireplace, telephone, wrap-around deck with lake view, electric heat. Available year-round. Rental rates: Summer/Winter $630/week, $375/weekend. Spring/Fall $550/week, $275/weekend. Call or write: John Mullikin, 4406 Roland Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21210. Phone (410) 243-1238.

Glen Haven Chalet

See ad on page 146

Hartwood Village-Unit E

Lakefront, two level, three bedroom townhome. Beautiful view of lake and Wisp Resort. Walk out to deck, gentle slope to lakefront and private dock, enclosed swim area. Walk to restaurants, shops, miniature golf, and other activities. Best view and location to enjoy boating, skiing, golfing, antiquing, hiking or relaxing! Fully furnished, two full baths, dishwasher, microwave, washer/dryer, two color TVs, VCR, cable, stereo, A/C, fireplace, picnic tables, grills, tot lot. Two queens, two bunks, two queen pullout couches. Summer $750/week, Winter $335/weekend; reduced mid and off season rates. Call Vince: (301) 933-0882 or P.O. Box 528, Kensington, MD 20895. (301) 473-5506 after 6 p.m.

La Cabana

Enjoy this comfortable lake cottage that features a nice beach area, boat dock, picnic area, wooden swing, and a great sun exposure that lasts until the evening hours. The cottage is located 2.5 miles from Wisp Ski Resort and has a spacious living room, family room with wood burning stove, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, eat-in kitchen and covered porch overlooking lake and dock. Sleeps 6. Equipped with cable TV, VCR, microwave and heating for winter rentals. No pets. $595/week; $295/weekend plus applicable taxes; Off-season and weekday rates available during off-season. Contact Rob Schildwachter or Felipe Chirinos @ (301) 896-0630.

Lake's Edge Cottage

Located on Deep Creek Drive, 3 miles from Wisp Ski Area. Living room with fireplace, fully equipped kitchen, family room, bath, 2 bedrooms. Sleeps 6 comfortably. Zone heated for winter rentals. NO PETS. Lakefront beach area and boat dock. $500/week, $200/weekend; Holiday and off season

rates available. Call Rick/Marge Clever, Oakland, MD, 301-334-4884 OR Ron/Fran Weiland, Baltimore, MD, 410-859-1355.

The Lodge

Lakeshore Drive, native stone and chestnut house on large wooded lakefront lot. Very private. Dock, canoe, paddle boat, cable TV, VCR, grill, microwave, spacious deck with lovely lake view, kitchen, large main room with stone fireplace, fully carpeted, 2 double bedrooms, bunkroom, bath with shower. Pets welcome. June 17-Sept. 4: $715/week; Spring/Fall: $570/week, $260/two-day weekend; $335/3 day weekend. Plus 3% tax. Closed Nov.1-May 1. Contact: Jon Murry, (610) 873-2442 or Bill and Barbara Murry, 5129 S. Dorchester, Chicago, IL 60615-4117, (773) 752-0523 or bmurry@meadville.edu.

The Lodge at Sawmill Hollow

See ad on page 147

The Mannion's Place

4 bedroom, 2 bath chalet in quiet community of Sky Valley. Includes fireplace, washer/dryer, microwave, dishwasher, VCR, TV, large deck, picnic table and grill. Sky Valley has a private beach, boat docks and playground. Maximum occupancy 10. No pets allowed. Non-smokers preferred. $650/week or $300/weekend. Off-season rates available upon request. Contact Charles & Nancy Mannion, 6201 Groveland Road, Linthicum, MD 21090 at 410-859-5874 or chasmann@erols.com

Mathias Cottage

All-season lakefront home on Harvey's Peninsula. Short drive to Wisp Ski Resort. 3 bedrooms/ 2 baths, accommodates up to 6 maximum. Completely equipped kitchen. You bring food, paper products, and linens only. For your enjoyment/convenience: Fireplace, microwave, dishwasher, icemaker, gas barbecue, television, video player, telephone, central vacuum, electric heat, large deck, private dock, garage, trash pickup. $700/week, $300/weekend, plus tax. NO PETS. Details/availability: C. Mathias, 21925 Durberry Road, Smithsburg, MD 21783. (301) 797-5013.

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The Great Escape

Call 1-800-769-5300 for Rental Information.

Why not escape the hustle and bustle and visit our beautiful mountain paradise? Come visit us at Deep Creek Lake. Enjoy our raging river rapids, lake and fly-fishing or ski Wisp and lose yourself in a beautiful winter wonderland. For the perfect vacation rental, look no further than Coldwell Banker Deep Creek Realty. Vacation homes ranging from luxurious lake homes to quaint cottages and cabins, we have it all! Best of all, renting with Coldwell Banker affords you the opportunity to work with our courteous, knowledgeable and dedicated staff. We pride ourselves in customer service second-to-none and are dedicated to providing you with all of the essential ingredients for an exciting yet relaxing vacation. Come let us spoil you!

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Glen Haven Chalet
Lakefront Rental

3 BR–2Q, 1D, & sleep sofa in loft, 2 BA, FP/Wood, PH, W/D, Primestarr, TV's, VCR's, Nintendo/games, AM/FM, Cas/D, CD, D/W, Micro, Fans, basketball, football, horseshoes, volleyball, badminton, croquet, chess, games, movies. Baby bed, stroller, playpen, gate, gas grill, Oversize Jucuzzi, private dock, swing, linens free. Max 8 people.

A Great home, in a Great location, on a Great lake.

Glen Haven is nestled on a panoramic cove on the southern end of Deep Creek Lake and provides a magnificent view of the lake. It features a full-size wrap-around deck for barbecuing, relaxing, whatever. From the deck, stairs lead down to a shaded, manicured lawn which slopes gently to a wading beach, making it ideal for families with children.

Glen Haven accommodates 8 guests in 3 bedrooms, including a private suite with an oversize Jacuzzi. It features a skylighted loft with two twins, 2 full baths, a Great Room with a native stone fireplace and cathedral beamed ceiling, and a well-equipped oak kitchen.

Rates

Summer	Mid Season	Off Season
1,595. Week	1,170. Week	850. Week
	475. 2 Nite	450. 2 Nite
	125. X-Nite	125. X-Nite

1 Nite Available - call for price; Note: Pet with fee.
Maid Service Available

"We've made every effort to make Glen Haven the ultimate in a lakefront vacation. Find out why our guests keep coming back – spring, summer, fall and winter. One visit is all it takes."

Reservation: Ken and Edna Sanders
491 Sanders Lane, Oakland, MD 21550
Call **301-334-9616**

Glen Haven Guests Say It All

Comments from our guest book:

"Your home was far beyond our greatest expectations..."

"For our anniversary we wanted something special. Your home was more than we had hoped for..."

"We have never, ever, had such a wonderful time."

"This is, by far, the most beautifully maintained vacation home we have ever enjoyed..."

"It was such a joy to find everything we needed..."

"We will be back...don't change a thing."

Morningside Cabin

Located next to New Germany State Park with hiking/X-ski trails, fishing and supervised beach. 25 minutes to Wisp and Deep Creek. 40 minutes to Ohiopyle, Seven Springs and Hidden Valley. Cozy log cabin, fireplace, mountain view, W/D, 2 baths, deck, sleeps 6. $75 nightly year-round/Weekly Summer rentals $450/Mid-week specials. Contact: Bill Tunney, Baltimore, MD. 410-665-1931

Mountaineer Log Homes

Also see ad on page 148

Find out about the "natural warmth and beauty of wood." Enjoy your vacation or week-end getaway in a modern log home. Choose lakefront with gentle slope into water or one with a great view, lake access, and a boat slip. All are four bedroom homes sleeping 12 or more. Call agent at Long and Foster Resort Rentals. 1-800-336-7303; local 301-387-5832.

Mountain View 4

Lakefront townhouse looking across the lake to Wisp. Three bedrooms, 3 baths, jacuzzi, deck, patio, fireplace, game room, all kitchen amenities. Minutes from ski slopes, boat & jet ski rentals, and the toughest golf course in Maryland. Great restaurants and entertainment centers almost next door. New boat docks, large picnic area, and play area in back yard at edge of lake. Summer: $950/week. Winter: $750/week. Weekend and off season rates available. Contact: Cheryl Robinson, 17400 Ryefield Court, Dickerson, MD 20842. (301) 916-3077.

O'Harras Hundred

Exclusive new three level Hearthstone log home situated on 3 acres, private lane with million dollar view and surrounded by New Germany State Park. Two bedrooms, two baths, great room with cathedral ceiling and 30 foot stone fireplace, loft, fully equipped kitchen, W/D and large covered porch that oversees 50 miles of wooded mountains. Smoke free. Accommodates eight people. Immaculately furnished. Includes all linens, books, games, ping pong, TV/VCR. Great fishing, hiking, biking and cross-country

skiing awaits just outside the front door. Available year round. $500 weekly; $100 nightly. Contact: Dick and Melanie Weart in Fredericksburg, VA (540) 786-2428.

The Other Place

Penn Point Road. 2 bedrooms, sofa bed (sleeps 4-5). Living room with fireplace and propane heat. One bath, dining area, complete kitchen, large deck, gas grill, patio furniture & private dock. Includes microwave, CATV, VCR, phone. Furnished except linens. **NO PETS ALLOWED.** Open April thru October. Rates: June thru August $550/week (Saturday to Saturday **Only**). Spring/Fall $475/wk; $225/weekend. Free color brochure. Contact Joanne Uhrin, 7303 Brenish Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20879 (301) 990-1699. E-mail: **TheOtherPl@aol.com** Homepage: http://members.aol.com/ theotherpl/top.html

Out Back Lodge

Penn Point Road. 2 bedrooms, loft (sleeps 6). Living room with woodstove and boiler heat. One bath, complete kitchen, washer/dryer, covered deck, gas grill, patio furniture and shared dock. Includes microwave, CATV, VCR, phone. Furnished except linens. **NO PETS ALLOWED.** Open April thru October. Rates: June thru August $600/week (Saturday to Saturday **Only**). Spring/Fall $525/week; $275/weekend. Free color brochure. Contact Joanne Uhrin, 7303 Brenish Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20879 (301) 990-1699. E-mail: **OutBackldg@aol.com** Homepage: http://members.aol.com/outbackldg/obl.html

Pine Oaks Lodge

See ad on page 68

Railey Mtn. Lake Vacations

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The Retreat

Comfortably furnished lakeview A-frame with community beach and dock. Large yard, children's play equipment, picnic table, two decks, futon in family room, sleep sofa in living room, fully-equipped kitchen, 2 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths. Sleeps 10. Linens provided, along with CATV, video, cassette player, games, books, canoe, raft. Four-season rental. Weekly-$350-$600; weekends-$200-$250. Sorry-NO SMOKING OR PETS. Contact: Mary/Martin Reisinger, 501 Yarmouth Rd., Towson, MD 21286 (410) 828-1470.

Schelling's Dwelling

Log cabin chalet on lake with dock. Sleeps 12; 3 large bedrooms and loft with queen sofa bed. 2 large full baths, 2 decks, stone fireplace, basement rec. room and ping pong table, close in on Lakeshore Drive. Private, 1 acre. Large home; new, all modern appliances—but rustic enough for your get-a-way! Summer: Early $1,200/week & prime $1,350/week. $595 weekends in season. $495/off season weekends. Great for skiers! Contact: Joan Schelling, 11467 Oakleaf Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20901. (301) 593-4980.

Ski Cove 4

Spacious 2-BR LAKEFRONT townhome very near Wisp. Sleeps 6. Large Jacuzzi 4-person hot tub in living room, 2 1/2 baths. View of ski slopes. Level park-like shore w/dock, picnic tables, grills, sundecks, trees. Native stone fireplace, CATV, VCR, stereo, phone, fully-equipped kitchen w/dishwasher, microwave. Deck, patio, grill, table, tennis court. Walk to shops and services. Winter/summer: Week $645/6; 2 nights $325/6, $80 each additional night. 2-night minimum. Lower rates spring/fall. NO PETS. Marcene Huebner, 90 Bethesda Trail, Swanton, MD 21561. (301) 387-9593. rmhuebner@gcnet.net

Ski Cove 5

Lakefront townhouse, viewing distance of Wisp. Private jacuzzi, fireplace with CATV, VCR, fully equipped kitchen. Sleeps 6, 2-1/2 baths, washer/dryer. Tennis court, boat dock. Winter/summer week-$455/$645; mid-week $295 call; weekend $355 call; fall/spring week $445/$435; midweek $305/$295; weekend $335/$325. Week-Sunday-Sunday; Midweek-Monday-Friday; Weekend-Friday-Monday. NO PETS. (410) 882-8624, Ksiemasko@aol.com 2913 Chenoak Ave., Baltimore, MD 21234. Visit our Web site for details & pictures. http://members.aol.com/deepcreek5

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LOG HOMES LAKE ACCESS & LAKEFRONT

North Glade
535 Harvey's Peninsula Rd. - Sleeps 12
Luxurious log chalet nestled in a quiet cove. Private lot with path through woods to lakefront. Enjoy many quiet evenings relaxing in the hot tub.

Duck Cove
234 Lake Pointe Drive - Sleeps 8
Come relax in this new lakefront log home. Spacious open areas that offer two decks along with relaxing hot tub. Walking distance to Wisp Ski & Golf.

Pinnacle View
199 Bridgeview Lane - Sleeps 14
New log chalet with panoramic views of lake and mountains. "The Pinnacle" community amenities include tennis and dock slips.

Pinnacle Guest House
117 Pinnacle Drive - Sleeps 12
Awe-inspiring views, handicap friendly first floor, large decks and patios. Tennis and lake access too.

for reservations and more information on these fine offerings
Call 800-336-7303
www.deepcreekresort.com
Rental Office is on Rt. 219 in McHenry.

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LOG HOMES LAKE ACCESS & LAKEFRONT

Vacation Rentals *(continued)*

Sunny Slope Riding Stables
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Swallow Falls Inn
See ad on page 147

Timber Ridge Manor
Overlooking the LAKE and the SLOPES, 3 BR home, sleeps 10. Huge deck, boat slip, hot tub, billiards, shuffleboard, dart board, Primestar, VCR, movies and fireplace. Modern kitchen, microwave, dishwasher, washer & dryer. Picnic area, grill, horseshoes. Walk to sports bar, restaurants, shopping & more. Pets allowed. Wheelchair friendly. All this for only $1,260/week, $660/weekend. Special discount—military, guard, reserve, firefighter, American Legion, VFW, seniors. Located on Rt. 219 across from A&A Realty & the Fort. Please call John & Sandy Price at (703) 591-2107 or (703) 307-3332.

Twin Ponds
Charming cabin totally secluded, sleeps 8. Features one bath, washer/dryer, huge fireplace, hot tub, two ponds on property, 2 TV's, 2 VCR's, Nintendo 64, games and fun for everyone. Less than 1 mile from Wisp slopes and Deep Creek Lake. Rates for all four seasons: $250 for 3 days/2 nights and $500 for 6 days/5 nights. Once you stay you will be back again. Please call (301) 283-6040 for reservations.

Walnut Ridge Bed & Breakfast
See ad on page 72

Waterside
Charming all season vacation home on large quiet wooded lakefront with gentle slope to private dock. Lovely lake view from picture windows in living and dining areas across large deck. Large native stone fireplace. Four bedrooms, sleeps eight. Two color cable TV's, VCR, washer/dryer, phone, picnic tables and grill. Full kitchen with microwave, dishwasher, coffeemaker. 12 minutes to Wisp ski slopes. Close to state park, shopping, horseback riding. Week $890/790/710, weekend $430/370/325. Contact: David Jones (410) 896-3667

Will O' The Wisp Prestige Condominiums
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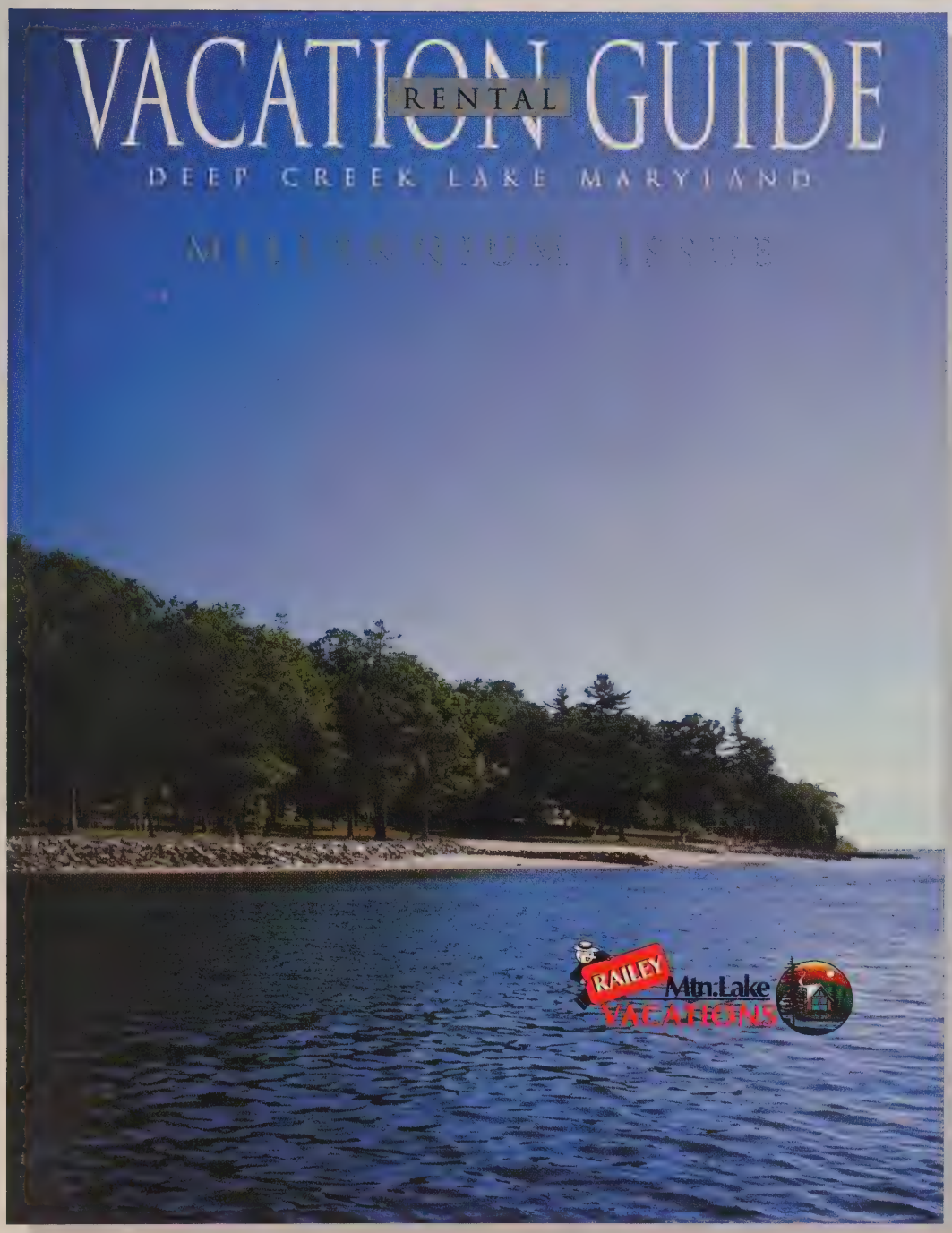

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VACATION RENTALS

Memory Maker

The magnificence of this exquisitely decorated chalet is breathtaking! Awaken to the perfect blend of style and life's expected luxuries. Imagine three master suites each featuring oversized-jetted tub, king-sized bed, TV, gas fireplace, and private balcony with lake views! There is something for everyone—pool table, ping-pong, A/C, 2 kitchens, outdoor hot tub, pool/tennis access.
8 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 24

Heaven Sent

If your idea of Heaven includes a sparkling brook leading to a quiet lakeside cove and private dock, Heaven Sent is for you! Professionally decorated, this fabulous mountain chalet with cathedral ceilings offers room to rest and relax. Amenities include 4 master suites, air conditioning, pool table, and outdoor hot tub.
7 BEDROOMS, 6.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 16

Waterfront Chateau

The discriminating guest will appreciate this luxurious lakefront home. Enjoy the cool mountain air from the screened porch overlooking the tranquil wooded setting. Custom designed, this incredible chalet offers 4 master suites each with an oversized jetted tub, fireplace and TV. The multitude of amenities include outdoor hot tub, sauna, pool table, A/C, pool/tennis access. 7 BEDROOMS, 6.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 20

For Whom the Bell Tolls

The bell tolls for this expertly-crafted and beautifully decorated lakefront home. Newly completed with four master suites each with an oversized jetted tub, this home is ideal for a family reunion. Other extras include pool table, A/C, hot tub, level lakefront and a view from nearly every room in the house. Pets are welcome!
7 BEDROOMS, 6.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 16

Taylor Made

You'll find fun in every direction from this magnificent lakefront chalet! Walk to Wisp Ski & Golf Resort for year-round fun. Cathedral ceilings and a full wall of windows offer a spectacular view of the lake from the great room and game room. Additional amenities include an outdoor hot tub, two fire places, pool table, dock slip, A/C and tennis in development.
6 BEDROOMS, 4.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 12

Seventh Heaven

Lavishly appointed and conveniently located, Seventh Heaven has room for everyone. This spacious chalet has two master suites, abundant lakefront perfect for fun-filled get-togethers. Settle back with your favorite someone for a friendly game of pool or a dip in the steamy hot tub. Seventh Heaven is a superb choice for large group getaways with amenities like the ping-pong, A/C, 2 gas fireplaces and tennis in development. Pets are welcome!
7 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 18

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Ambrosia

This stunning new chalet is everything dreams are made of. You just can't beat the fabulous level lakefront with a wonderful view that extends down the lake. The beautiful interior and stylish furnishings convey warmth and comfort while the hot tub, pool table and air conditioning offer fun for everyone. Pets are welcome!
6 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 12

Sunset Pointe

Expertly crafted, this chalet offers a phenomenal western exposure for your evening viewing pleasure. Elegant furnishings throughout compliment the lofty cathedral ceilings, expansive windows and stone fireplace in the great room. Amenities include 3 master suites, an outdoor hot tub, A/C, pool table, private dock, and indoor pool and outdoor tennis access.
6 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 15

Howard's End

This exquisite lakefront chalet currently under construction incorporates refined elegance with the unequaled warmth found in a mountain retreat. Upscale furnishings combine with the cathedral ceilings and wall of windows to offer a most pleasing interior. Take time to enjoy the unparalleled view (picture above) from the level lakefront, outdoor hot tub, A/C and pool table. 6 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY:16

Odyssey's End

Unwind in style at the Odyssey, a spectacular new chalet boasting lofty cathedral ceilings and quality furnishings. Plan to spend a little time on your excellent lawn sunbathing or star gazing. Pamper yourself with all the extras offered at Odyssey including outdoor hot tub, pool table, A/C and pool/tennis access. You'll agree it's worth the journey!
6 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 15

Big "O"

Let the good times roll in this uniquely designed, lakefront and slopeside villa! The fun begins in the family room with the pool table, wet bar and big screen TV. The oversized entertaining rooms are set for your vacation pleasure. Plan to spend time on one of the five lakeside decks or use the level lakefront lawn for family games.
5 BEDROOMS, 4.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 15

Lake Pointe Chateau

In the midst of all the fun, you'll find Lake Pointe Chateau! Walk to Wisp Ski & Golf Resort for year-round excitement. Decorated for family comfort, you'll feel completely at home and ready to relax on the large lakeside deck overlooking the cove. Special features include air conditioning, a dock slip, fireplace, covered outdoor hot tub, and community tennis.
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Mountain Haven

Located in Lake Pointe, this spectacular lakefront chalet is the ultimate in vacation destinations! The wide open view of Deep Creek Lake, coupled with a manicured level lawn makes time spent outdoors an absolute delight. Enjoy the "extras", which include air conditioning, pool table, ping-pong, fireplace, outdoor hot tub and walking distance to Wisp Ski & Golf Resort.
5 BEDROOMS, 4.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 12

Waterside

If privacy is a priority, this mountain chalet is nestled in two acres of beautiful woodland. Designed to feel like an old fashioned cottage, each room wraps you in luxurious comfort. Special features include an oversized stone fireplace, enclosed sun porch, deckside fireplace, air conditioning, hot tub, pool table, indoor pool and outdoor tennis access.
5 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 15

Shady Brook

Awaken to the perfect blend of style and life's expected luxuries at Shady Brook. Peaceful relaxation abounds on this semi wooded lakefront lot. Unwind in the hot tub, linger on the wraparound deck beneath a star clad canopy, or accept the challenge of a game of pool—all is awaiting you at Shady brook. Pets are welcome.
5 BEDROOMS, 3.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 15

Robin's Nest

A newly constructed resort home truly without equal—this beguiling 5-bedroom log house beckons from its private forest of towering oak and pine. Offering a blend of refinement and rustic charm, Robin's Nest is guaranteed to thrill! Also featured are outdoor hot tub, pool table and air conditioning.
5 BEDROOMS, 4.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 16

Pine Oasis

This newly constructed, luxurious lakefront chalet reflects the highest of standards, inside and out. Furnished with utmost style and comfort, Pine Oasis possesses an immense great room with stack stone fireplace and cathedral ceilings, 2 beautiful master suites, hot tub, pool table and air conditioning. Pets are welcome.
5 BEDROOMS, 4 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 14

Boulder Run

This luxurious chalet compliments its picturesque setting on the lake and promises to make your vacation a truly momentous occasion. The extensive lakefront decking is ideal for barbecuing, stargazing, or just relaxing in the bubbling outdoor hot tub. Pet welcome. The magnificent stone fireplace in conjunction with an elegant décor provides warmth and comfort to make your vacation magnificent. 5 BEDROOMS, 4.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 11

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Ambiance

For an unbelievable vacation experience, Ambiance is the perfect choice. The prime location of this lakefront cedar chalet offers tremendous views which can be enjoyed from all levels. Enjoy the outdoors on the level lakefront or entertain yourself with the pool table or outdoor hot tub. Pet welcome.
5 BEDROOMS, 5.5 BATH,
OCCUPANCY: 14

Great Escape

A super vacation destination! Appropriately named, the newly built Great Escape allows you to explore the nearby ski slopes, golf course, state parks, and level lake access. With the split-level floor plan and stylish décor, you'll find plenty of room for gathering with family or friends. Also features outdoor hot tub, A/C, ping-pong and access to pool/tennis club. Pets are welcome.
5 BEDROOMS, 3 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 15

Quiet Cove at Penn Cove

Large families will have room to revel in this charming lakefront chalet! Plush, bi-level family rooms provide entertainment for all. Family fun gets started with bumper pool, ping-pong, outdoor hot tub, foosball, and nintendo. Enjoy the oversized deck nestled among towering trees, or the quietness of the lakefront cove from your floating dock. 5 BEDROOMS, 4 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 13

Whispering Woods

Enjoy the pleasures of this tranquil setting—private, quiet, and secluded! Within this spacious chalet, a massive wall of windows, native stone fireplace and cathedral ceiling compliment the beautifully furnished interior. Escape the pressures of today and relax in the solitude of Whispering Woods. Pets are welcome.
5 BEDROOMS, 3 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 13

Tobyhanna

Revel in the quiet splendor of this mountain retreat. From the plush furnishings, air conditioning, master suite with king size bed and jetted tub to your exceptional lake view, you will spend quality time with your favorite people. Share quiet evenings full of conversation and laughter or relax in the outdoor hot tub and enjoy the stars. Pets are welcome.
4 BEDROOMS, 3.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY:10

Nautica

Set course for the perfect vacation with a visit to this lakefront chalet. Cleverly designed and decorated, Nautica offers a wonderful western exposure for incredible twilight colors. Special features include air conditioning, hot tub, cathedral ceilings, great room with stacked-stone fireplace, and access to indoor pool and outdoor tennis.
4 BEDROOMS, 3.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 12

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Dream Weaver

Vacation dreams come true at this exceptional chalet situated on a secluded cove. Step inside & enjoy the comfortable furnishings accented by cathedral ceilings, native stone fireplace, and huge bedrooms with lake views. Other amenities include spacious decks, pool table, and an outdoor hot tub. Pets are welcome!
4 BEDROOMS, 3 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 11

Morning Breeze

A cottage with a single goal—to provide you with a fabulous lakefront getaway! With its oversized shaded lawn and private dock, summer fun is easy. This home has a newly-renovated interior with family room and pool table. Morning Breeze invites you to come join the fun! Pets are welcome!
4 BEDROOMS, 4.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 10

Summer Haven

Perfect for a romantic get-away or family retreat, Summer Haven will meet all your expectations. Walk along the level lake front, snooze in a lake side hammock, pause under stately trees or relax in the hot tub. You will then remember why you came to Deep Creek. Summer Haven offers air conditioning, dock slip, jetted tub and fireplace. 4 BEDROOMS, 3 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 12

Falling Rock Lodge

Get close to nature in this stunning mountainside chalet! Set amidst large boulders and towering shade trees. Falling Rock Lodge offers the unique opportunity to relax in a steaming hot tub located directly above a sparkling mountain steam! Upscale furnishings and personal touches in each room give character to the interior of this wonderful vacation home.
4 BEDROOMS, 3 BATH,
OCCUPANCY: 8

Aurora by the Lake

Your home away from home. This comfortable lakefront cottage offers excellent views, a level lakefront lot, private dock, and the quiet setting on a cove. Special features include a corner stone fireplace, a master suite with a jetted tub, lakeside hot tub, and a sanded regulation volleyball court. Pets are welcome!
3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 8

Harbor View

This popular contemporary home is nestled in a wooded setting on a level lakefront. Atmosphere abounds in the cozy sunken living room with stone fireplace and hardwood floors. The oversized-jetted tub and the new outdoor hot tub on the expanded deck create the ambiance for that romantic getaway. Pets are welcome!
3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 8

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Couldn't Resist

Relax in style and comfort at this beautiful chalet. Regardless of season, fun is nearby—within 50 yards of the lakefront and dock and just a short walk to the golf & ski resort. Life is wonderful whether relaxing by the glow of the fireplace or lolling in the outdoor hot tub. Couldn't Resist also boasts air conditioning and tennis in the development.
3 BEDROOMS, 2.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 9

Cabin Fever

This truly charming lakefront log cabin is the perfect setting for a romantic getaway or a family vacation. The warm ambiance is created through quality furnishings and imaginative décor, and enhanced by the stone fireplace and bubbling hot tub. The level lakefront and private dock are just the icing on the cake. Pets are welcome.
3 BEDROOMS, 1 BATH,
OCCUPANCY 8

Close Enough

Experience the enchantment of a mountain retreat. Sitting high above the crowds, enjoy the view of Deep Creek Lake and the tranquil privacy found just outside your door. This family friendly chalet offers comfortable furnishings, spacious decks, ping-pong and access to a near by indoor-heated pool and tennis courts.
3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATH, OCCUPANCY: 10

Ski Harbor

Surrounded on three sides by water, Ski Harbor offers excellent views and a level lawn for your outdoor pleasure! Tastefully decorated and comfortably furnished, you'll feel right at home. Take advantage of the community center for hours of fun with its indoor pool, sauna, hot tub, outdoor basketball, tennis, volleyball and play area. Townhouses with 2, 3 and 4 bedrooms available.

Lakewood Townhomes

With 2 master suites each with a private bath, these fabulous townhouses make a perfect retreat for a romantic getaway or family vacation. Centrally located and just 20 yards from the water's edge, Lakewood is an ideal location regardless of season. Enjoy the jetted tub, hot tub, A/C, fireplace, and cathedral ceilings
2 BEDROOMS, 3 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 8

Sunplace Townhomes

Convenience and amenities! This community offers 325 feet of level lakefront as well as an indoor pool, hot tub, ping-pong, and gym. All units boast cathedral ceilings, stone fireplace and jetted tubs. Designed to handle a gathering or a single couple, each bedroom and bath is separated to give added privacy.
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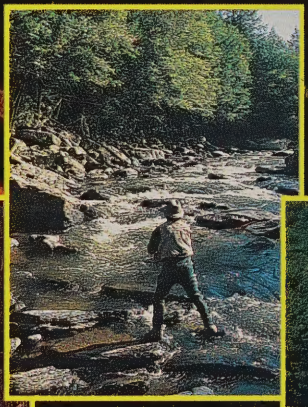

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